Cloud's Story

SFX: YEEKS
DIE!
HOW DID I, HUO BU TIAN OFFEND YOU ENOUGH FOR YOU TO KILL MY WHOLE FAMILY?
CHIEF XIONG ORDERED US TO ELIMINATE THOSE WHO DEFY THE INVITATION TO JOIN OUR HEAVENLY SECT NOW DIE!
DIE, HUO BU TIAN!

SFX RAGING FLAMES BURNING
熊
熊
SFX DESPERATE SCREAMS

SFX: DING!

I'VE BEEN PAID TO KILL YOU !!

THE RAGING FLAME SABRE SKILL IS POWERFUL BUT TOO BAD IT SERVED THE WRONG MASTER.

AUGHH!

RUN AWAY QUICK!

BAT

HEH! YOU ARE A FOOL NOT TO APPRECIATE THE OFFER, OR ELSE THERE WOULD STILL BE 72 MORE HUMANS ALIVE ON EARTH NOW.

KA!

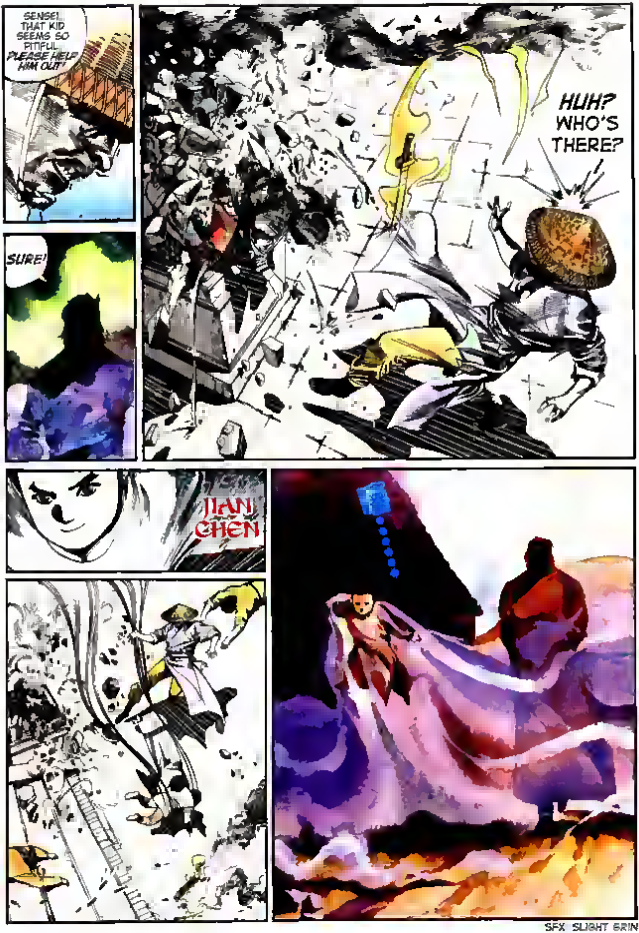
1: NICKNAME OF THE MURDERER WEARING STRAW HAT

SFX: BUMMPP

BIG BRO, I'VE KILLED THEM ALL. READY TO LEAVE ANYTIME
THERE'S STILL ONE?
HUH?
NO, I'VE BEEN WATCHING HIM FOR A WHILE NOW. HE DIDN'T DROP A SINGLE TEAR. LOOKS LIKE HE'S NOT A HUO
DEATH !!

SINCE WE, THE RAGING FLAME DUO, WEREN'T PAID TO KILL BYSTANDERS, WE'LL LET HIM GO.
BROOO!
UUGH
BIG-BRO!

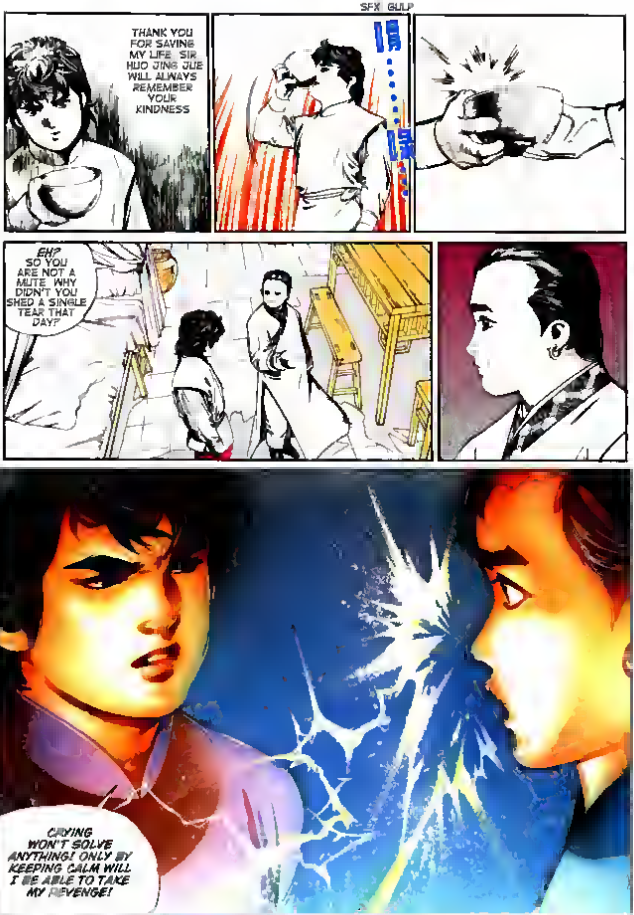
SFX BAT S KICK KNOCKED THE KID OVER TOWARDS THE STONE LION AND CAUSED HIM TO FAINT
SFX OHH NO!
GO TO HELL!!
SFX PUUU


SENSEI, THAT KID SEEMS SO PITIFUL. PLEASE HELP HIM OUT!
SURE!
HUH? WHO'S THERE?
IAN CHEN
SFX: SLIGHT GRIN

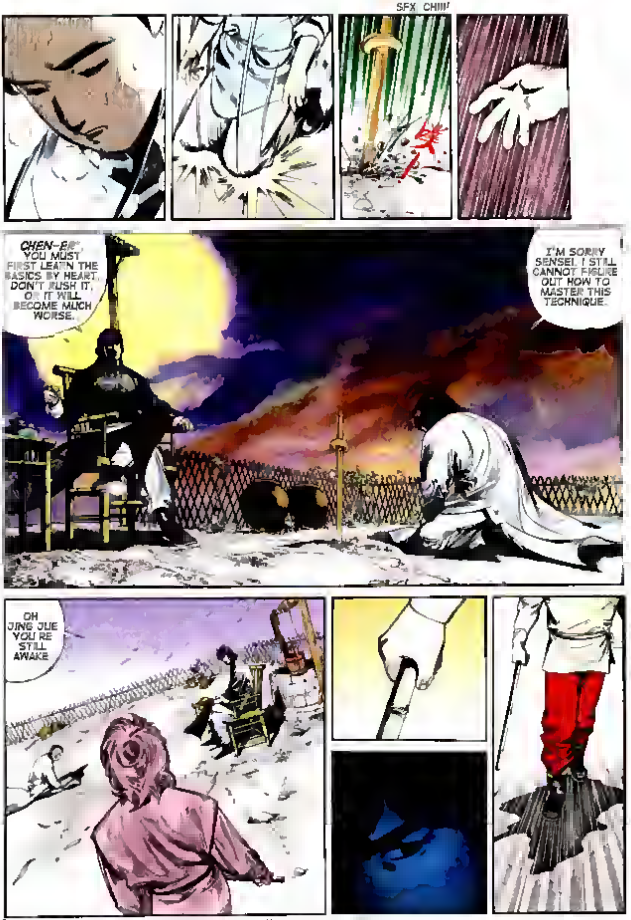
WHAT AN ASTOUNDING SHAPESHIFT ACUPOINT STRIKE JUST WHO ARE THEY?
SFX WHOOOSH!

SFX: AHH!
SENSEI, THAT KID WOKE UP!
EH?
SFX: HUH?
RIGHT AWAY!
OK, GIVE HIM THE MEDICINE ON THE TABLE

DON'T WORRY, WE HAVE NO BAD INTENTIONS
AH! THIS MAN LOOKS SO POWERFUL. HE'S JUST LIKE A GOD!
KID YOU ARE ABLE TO WAKE UP SO SOON WITH SUCH SERIOUS INJURIES. SEEMS LIKE YOU ARE PHYSICALLY STRONG
SENSEI IS THIS KID MUTE?


SFX: GULP
THANK YOU FOR SAVING MY LIFE, SIR. HUO JING JUE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER YOUR KINDNESS
EH?
EH?
SO YOU ARE NOT A MUTE. WHY DIDN'T YOU SHED A SINGLE TEAR THAT DAY?
CRYING WON'T SOLVE ANYTHING! ONLY BY KEEPING CALM WILL I BE ABLE TO TAKE MY REVENGE!

Hsu Jing was awakened by some noise outside.
He realised that they are practising with swords.
THE FIRST NIGHT
In the meantime, Hsu Jing has continued to stay here and recover.
Even though his injuries were fully healed.
HIS SWORDPLAY IS INCREDIBLE! IT WILL BE GOOD IF HE WERE TO TEACH ME A FEW MOVES FOR MY REVENGE.
Because he was deeply attracted by the mystical styles of the sword-play
He had stayed with the pair.


SFX: CHIII!
CHEN-ER* YOU MUST FIRST LEARN THE BASICS BY HEART. DON'T RUSH IT, OR IT WILL BECOME MUCH WORSE.
I'M SORRY SENSEI. I STILL CANNOT FIGURE OUT HOW TO MASTER THIS TECHNIQUE.
OH JING JUE YOU'RE STILL AWAKE

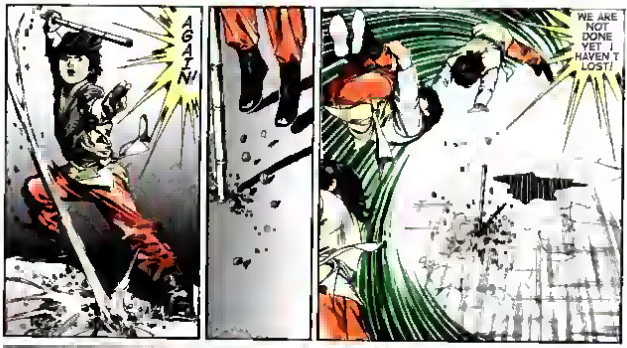
*ANCIENT CHINESE LIKES TO ADD -ER TO THEIR CHILDREN/DISCIPLE'S NAME TO SHOW THAT THEY ARE CLOSE TO EACH OTHER

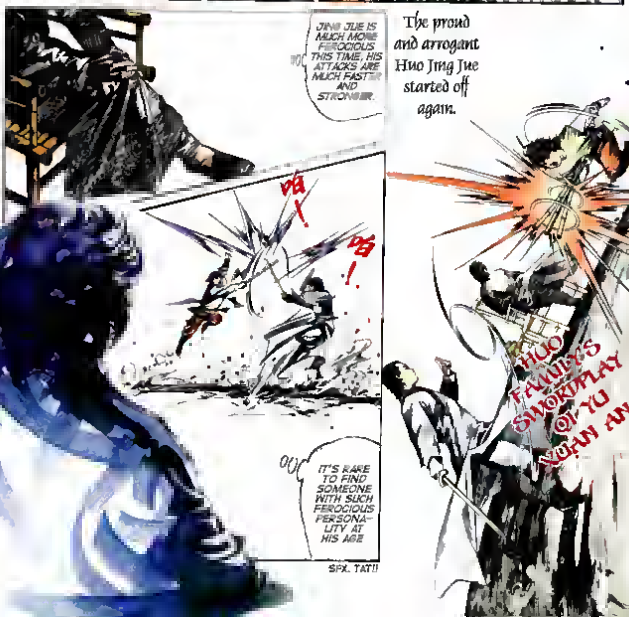
THE HUO FAMILY SWORDPLAY IS ALMOST EXTINCT FROM THIS WORLD CHEN-SE, TAKE ON JING JUE
SIR, I'VE ALREADY MASTERED HUO FAMILY'S SWORDPLAY PLEASE GIVE ME SOME POINTERS
BUT SENSEI JING JUE HAS ONLY JUST RECOVERED FROM HIS INJURIES I'M AFRAID I'LL SLIP UP!
DON'T WORRY, YOU'LL NEED THE EXPERIENCE FROM FIGHTING WITH OTHERS TO PERFECT YOUR SKILLS. SO WHY NOT?
DON'T GO OVERBOARD STOP THE FIGHT ONCE ANYONE OF YOU CAN'T RETALIATE
PLEASED TO TAKE YOU ON!
HERE I GO!

* THIS IS A FORM OF RESPECT FOR THE OPPONENT

Even though it's his first time fighting someone other than his sensei, Tian Chen looked rather calm.
With a loud gesture, Huo Jing Jue rushed headon with his Huo family's swordplay——
SFX: CHIU!
He exploited Huo Jing Jue's opening and caused him to lose grip on his bamboo pole in a single strike.
HMM, CHEN-ER HAS A CALM PERSONALITY AND BROKE THE SWORDPLAY SWIFTLY.
PLEASED TO FIGHT WITH YOU!*
That single strike shocked Huo Jing Jue to the core.

* A FORM OF RESPECT AFTER A FIGHT


AGAIN!
WE ARE NOT DONE YET I HAVEN'T LOST!


JENG JUE IS MUCH MORE FEROCIOUS THIS TIME. HIS ATTACKS ARE MUCH FASTER AND STRONGER.
PA!
PA!
IT'S RARE TO FIND SOMEONE WITH SUCH FEROCIOUS PERSONALITY AT HIS AGE
SFX. TAT!!
The proud and arrogant Hwo Jing Jue started off again.
HUO FAMILY'S SWORDPLAY @ YU HUAN ANG

CHEN-ER HAS AN HONEST PERSONALITY. WHAT HE LACKS IS THE WILL TO MOVE FORWARD. HE'S STILL NOT PERFECT.
Huo Jing Jue continued to pressure Jian Chen, who parried all his attacks calmly.
Jian Chen could only move backwards and was forced in the disadvantageous position.
While Jian Chen only parried off the continuous attacks, the arrogant Huo Jing Jue felt even more humiliated and pushed even harder.
NO! I CAN'T LOSE!
IF I DON'T KNOCK DOWN JING JUE, I'LL BE DISGRACING THE SWORDPLAY SENSEI TAUGHT ME AND EVEN WORSE, DISGRACING SENSEI.
SFX: CHU!

*THE CHINE THE SWORD FACING UPWARDS ON THE GROUND AND RICOCHET TO HIT HUO JING JUE'S RAMROD POLE

With the will to win, Jian Chen unleashed a weird sword-play, nameless swordsplay's Mo Ming Qi Miao.

莫名奇妙

THAT WAS A WONDERFUL NAMELESS SWORDPLAY BY CHEN ER PERFECTLY ON THE SPOT

THANK YOU FOR THE FIGHT

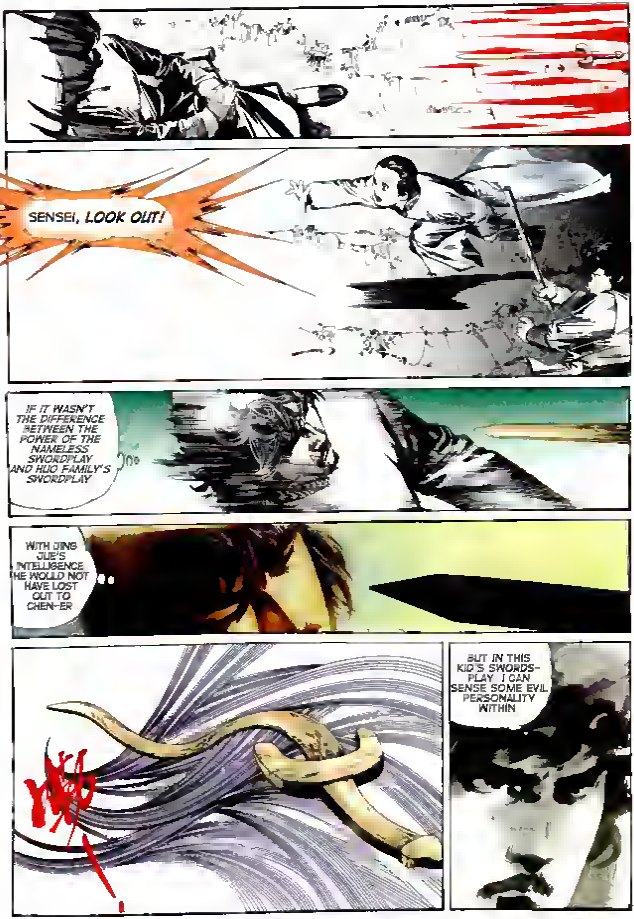
After a dozen moves, Jian Chen once again countered Huo Jing Jue's unrelentless pressure.

I'M NOT DONE YET! I WILL NOT LOSE!

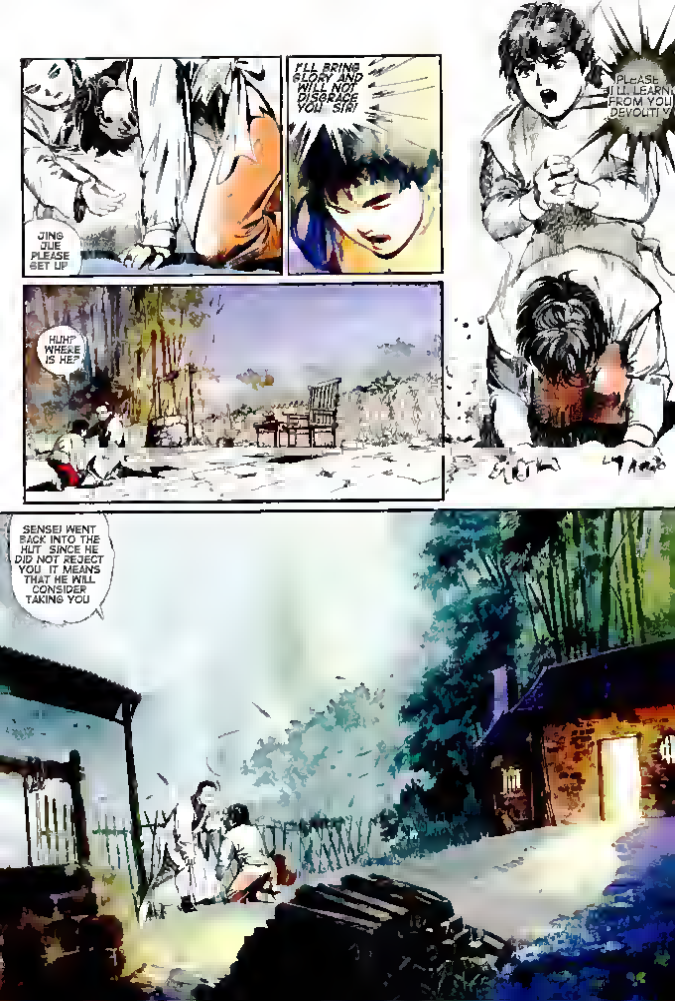
Huo Ying Jue twisted his body in mid-air and followed up with nameless swordplay Bei Tong Mo Ming, leaving Tian Chen dumbfounded.

NAMELESS SWORDPLAY BEI TONG MO MING

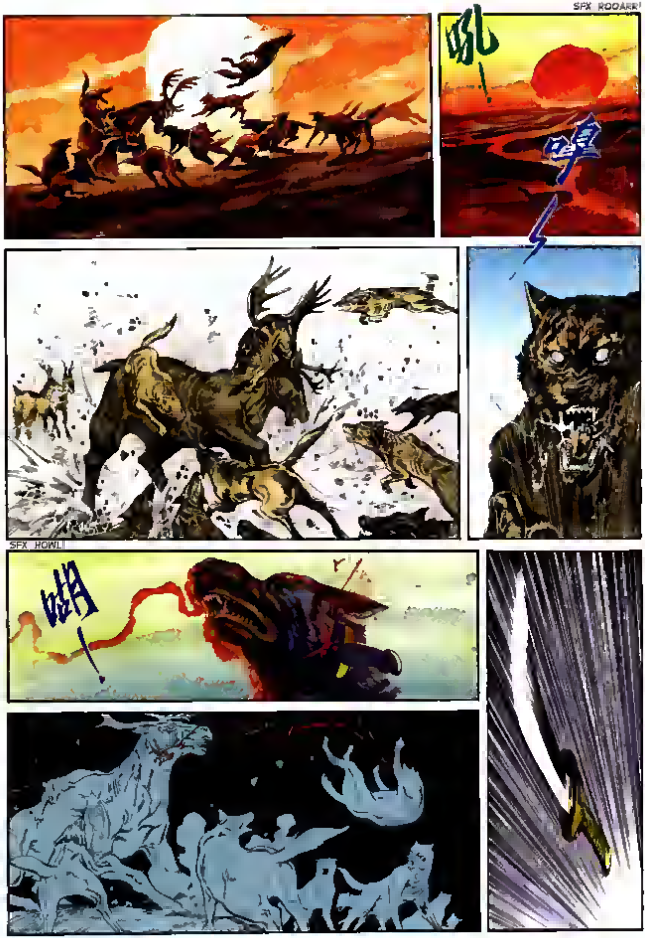
Both unique moves met, however, Jian Chen was forced down by the fierceness of Hua Jing Jue's Swordplay
Jian Chen regained his composure and performed another move from nameless Swordplay, Ming Dong Yi Shi
NAMELESS SWORDPLAY'S MING DONG YI SHI
BEI TONG MO MING? HE LEARNED THAT WITHOUT ANY INSTRUCTIONS AND USED IT TO SUCH AN EXTENT! HE'S GIFTED WITH INTELLIGENCE!
Ming Dong Yi Shi was sealed by Bei Tong Mo Ming!
SWORD RELEASE!
噗!
SFX: CHI!!


SENSEI, LOOK OUT!
IF IT WASN'T THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE POWER OF THE NAMELESS SWORDPLAY AND HUO FAMILY'S SWORDPLAY
WITH JING JUE'S INTELLIGENCE HE WOULD NOT HAVE LOST OUT TO CHEN-ER
BUT IN THIS KID'S SWORDS-PLAY I CAN SENSE SOME EVIL PERSONALITY WITHIN
SFX SHOOSH!

SFX: THUD!
HUO JING JUE, ACKNOWLEDGES YOUR SKILLS! PLEASE TAKE ME AS A DISCIPLE SIR!
PLEASE!
SENSEI

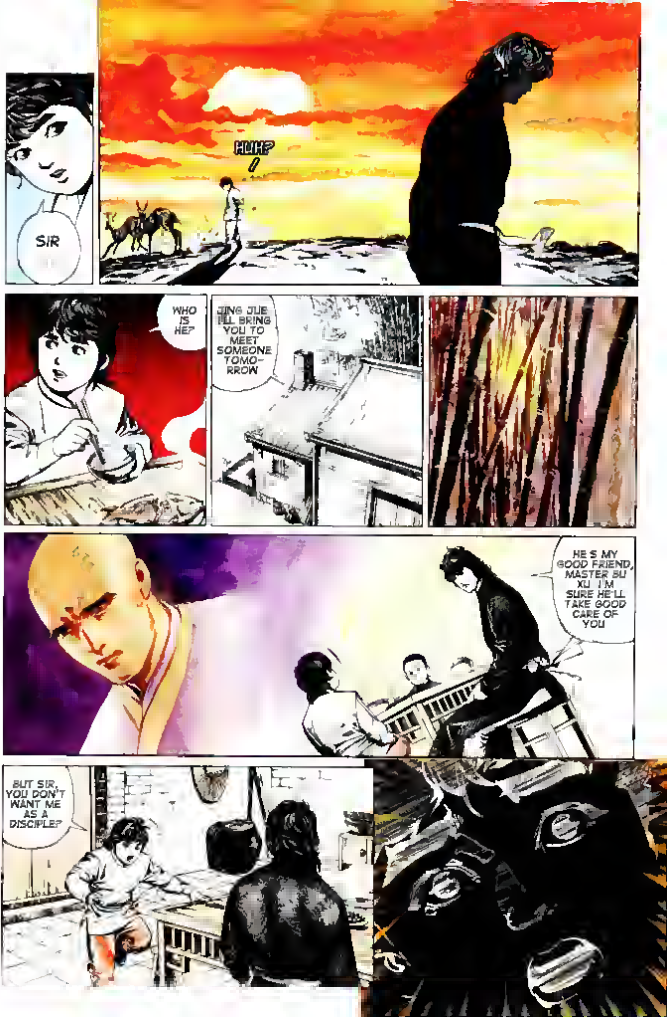

JING JUE PLEASE GET UP
I'LL BRING GLORY AND WILL NOT DISGRACE YOU, SIR!
PLEASE, I'LL LEARN FROM YOU DEVOUTLY
HUH? WHERE IS HE?
SENSEI WENT BACK INTO THE HUT. SINCE HE DID NOT REJECT YOU, IT MEANS THAT HE WILL CONSIDER TAKING YOU

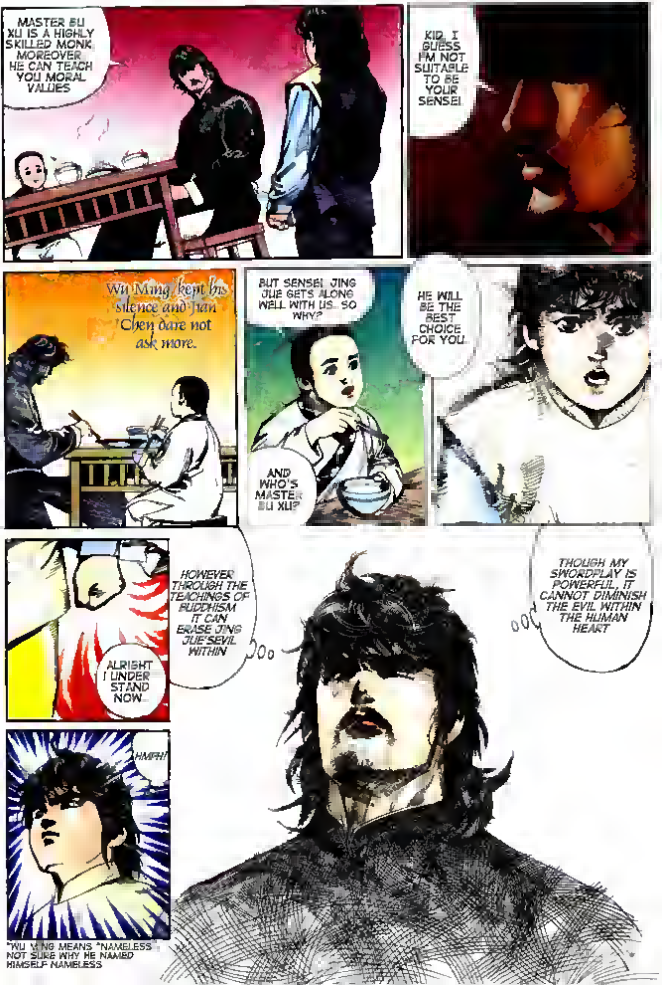
MORNING JING JUE COME OVER HERE AND WATCH JIAN CHEN.
GOOD MORNING SIR!
THE NEXT MORNING
LEARN THE SWORDPLAY BY ITS LOGIC, NOT ITS MOVEMENTS
YES SIR!
WHEN WILL HE TAKE ME IN AS A DISCIPLE?

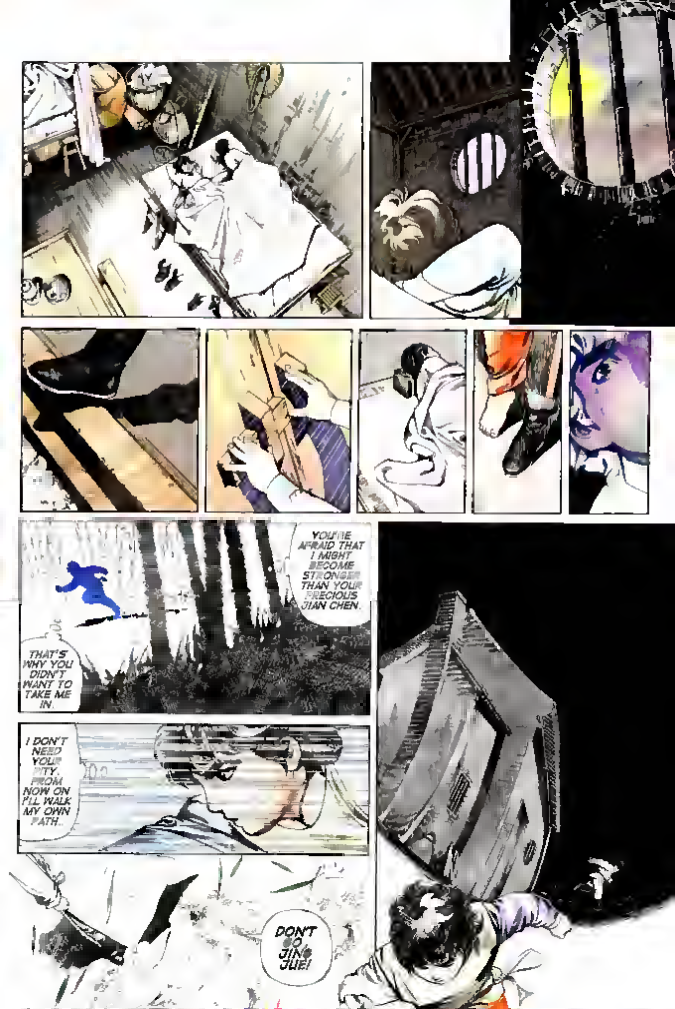

SFX: ROOARR!
SFX: HOWL!

SFX: GROWL!
I'LL TAKE CARE OF ALL OF YOU ALL!
EVIL WOLVES, YOU ARE ALL BETTER OFF DEAD!
SFX: HYAH!

Huo Jing jue wielded his sabre and slashed at the doe in front of its fawns.
SLASH!
SWAAAASSSHH!
YOUR MUM WILL ONLY SUFFER MORE IF SHE'S NOT DEAD


SIR
HUHF
WHO IS HE?
JING JUE, I'LL BRING YOU TO MEET SOMEONE TOMO-RROW
HE'S MY GOOD FRIEND, MASTER SU XI. I'M SURE HE'LL TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOU
BUT SIR, YOU DON'T WANT ME AS A DISCIPLE?


MASTER ELI XU IS A HIGHLY SKILLED MONK. MOREOVER, HE CAN TEACH YOU MORAL VALUES
KID, I GUESS I'M NOT SUITABLE TO BE YOUR SENSEI
Wu Ming kept his silence and Han Chen dare not ask more.
BUT SENSEI JING JUE GETS ALONG WELL WITH US. SO WHY?
AND WHO'S MASTER ELI XU?
HE WILL BE THE BEST CHOICE FOR YOU
ALRIGHT ! UNDERSTAND NOW...
HOWEVER, THROUGH THE TEACHINGS OF BUDDHISM IT CAN ERASE JING JUE'S EVIL WITHIN
THOUGH MY SWORDPLAY IS POWERFUL, IT CANNOT DIMINISH THE EVIL WITHIN THE HUMAN HEART
HMPH!
*WU MING MEANS "NAMELESS" NOT SURE WHY HE NAMED HIMSELF NAMELESS


YOU'RE AFRAID THAT I MIGHT BECOME STRONGER THAN YOUR PRECIOUS JIAN CHEN.
THAT'S WHY YOU DIDN'T WANT TO TAKE ME IN.
I DON'T NEED YOUR PITY. FROM NOW ON I'LL WALK MY OWN PATH.
DON'T GO JIAN JUE!

DON'T SPEAK NONSENSE WITH ME. I ALREADY KNOW WHAT HE IS THINKING.
SENSEI HAS A GOOD INTENTION IN LETTING YOU LEARN FROM MASTER SU XU
Huo Jing Jue tried to knock away Jian Chen while Jian Chen calmly parried.
I'VE ALREADY MADE UP MY MIND, GET LOST!
CALM DOWN JING JUE!
BECAUSE I WANT SENSEI TO TAKE YOU IN!
WHY DIDN'T YOU FIGHT WITH FULL POWER YESTERDAY WHEN YOU'RE SO SKILLED? I MIGHT HAVE LOST COMPLETELY. WHY?

THE PATHS WE TAKE ARE DEFINITELY DIFFERENT.
NEVERMIND I DON'T NEED ANYONE ELSE TO FITY ME
JING JUE I'LL SO BEG SENSEI TO TAKE YOU IN HE MIGHT CHANGE HIS MIND
YOU'RE BLESSED TO LEARN FROM MASTER WU MING SINCE YOUNG BYE! SINCE MY MUM DIED WHILE I WAS YOUNG EVEN MY RELATIVES DON'T SEE ME AS HUMAN IT'S JUST MY LIFE
HOWEVER, I THANK YOU BOTH FOR EVERYTHING.
GOOD BYE!
AH!

JING JUE INSISTED ON LEAVING PLEASE STOP HIM
SEN-SEI!
CHEN-ER I'M SURE JING JUE WILL OVERCOME ANY OBSTACLES HE FACES, SO LET HIM BE!
SINCE NO ONE IS WILLING TO HELP, I'LL TAKE MY REVENGE WITH MY OWN POWER

HEY BRAT! WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU ARE GOING?
WHAT'S YOUR NAME, BRAT?
YUN.
BU
JING
END
*HE CHANGED HIS NAME TO BU JING YUN -> YUN = "CLOUD"

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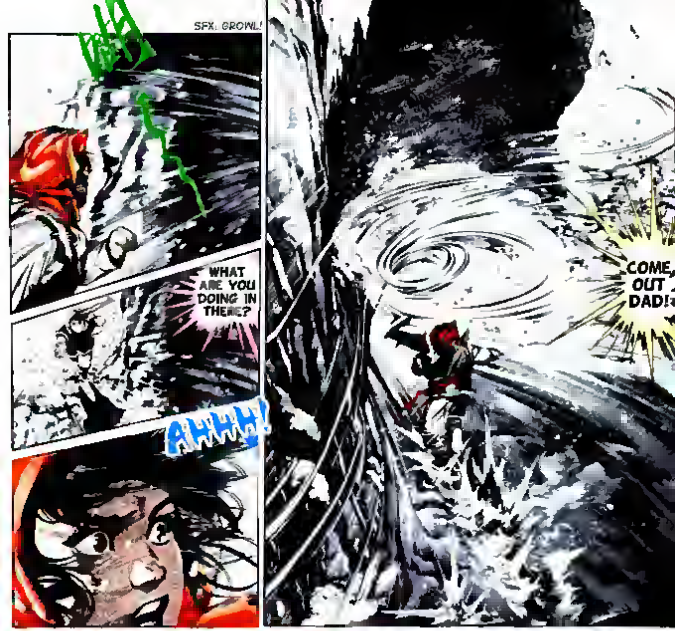
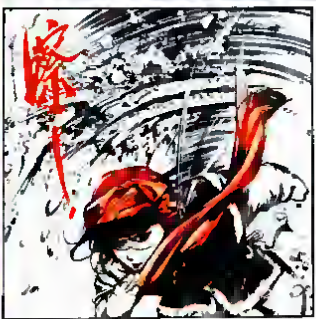
LOVE NOTE: LOVE ME LOVE LEZZY FIRST EVER RELEASE YO YO!
PARTEEEEEEEEEE!!!

DAD, WHERE ARE YOU?
DAD!
DAD!
DAD MUST BE UP AHEAD INSIDE THAT CAVE
IT'S FILLED WITH SUCH STRONG BLOODLUST AND KILLING AURA. IT MUST BE DAD!
HUH? THAT'S THE UNIQUE SCENT FROM DAD





*NIE FENG- FENG=WIND, THEREFORE WE SHALL CALL HIM 'WIND', JUST LIKE HOW BU JING YUN IS 'CLOUD'.

Bloodshot eyes stared coldly at Wind, but what came out wasn't his father, instead, it was a tiger!
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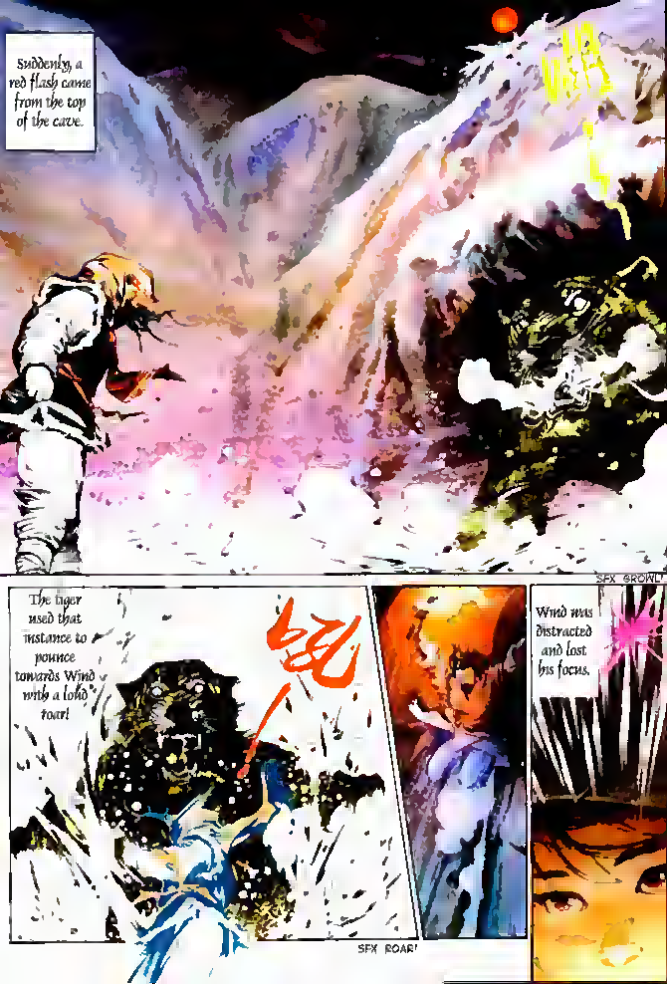
SFX: GROWL!
However, Wind wasn't afraid of the beast and stared right back at it!
The huge tiger was shocked by the aura from Wind and paused.


Suddenly, a red flash came from the top of the cave.
SFX GROWL
The tiger used that instance to pounce towards Wind with a loud roar!
SFX ROAR!
Wind was distracted and lost his focus.

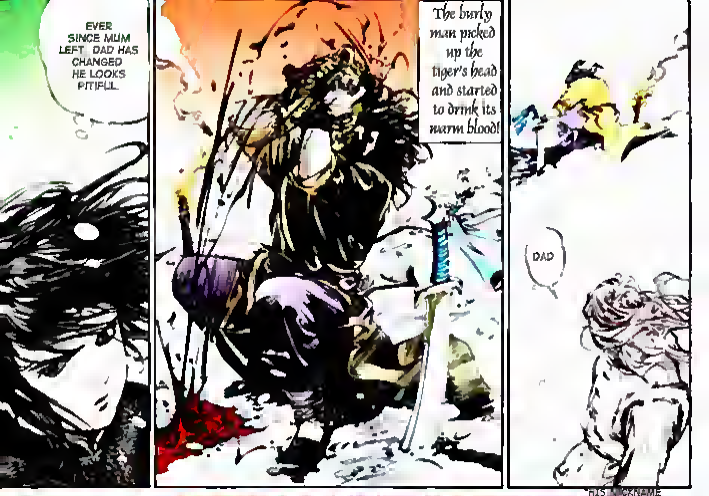
I HAVE NO INTENTION OF HURTING YOU
Wind swiftly moved to the side, while his voice seemed to express pity for the tiger

DON'T COME NEAR ME!

The red flash came down from above and decapitated the tiger, its blood instantly bursting out.

SWISH FLY SWISH

SHK
SLASH!
The tiger's warm blood flowed through the snow, melting anything that hindered its path. But what was left burning was Wind's kind heart.
I'M SORRY I CAN'T SAVE YOU!


EVER SINCE MUM LEFT, DAD HAS CHANGED HE LOOKS PITIFUL.
The burly man picked up the tiger's head and started to drink its warm blood!
DAD
HIS NICKNAME

WHY DID YOU DODGE THE TIGER AND NOT KILL IT? YOU WERE AFRAID OF THAT TIGER, WEREN'T YOU?
WIND'S FATHER NORTHERN FRENZY SABRE
NIE REN WANG

WITH DAD AROUND, I'M NOT AFRAID OF ANYTHING. I DODGED MY TIGER-LIKE DAD'S SWORD, NOT THE TIGER!
NON-SENSE! IF YOU WEREN'T AFRAID, WHY WOULD YOU DODGE?
I DODGED IT BUT I WASN'T AFRAID.
HAHAHA! A TIGER -LIKE FATHER, WELL PRAISED!
SFX: WOOOOOOOOOO (STRONG WIND)
A strong breeze blew past, freezing the bloody remain of the carcass. Wind shivered slightly.

HERE, EAT THEM TO KEEP WARM.
SFX: SPLASH!
SFX: HNH!
I DON'T LIKE THE SMELL OF BLOOD. I WON'T EAT.
EAT! THIS WILL MAKE YOU EVEN STRONGER THAN A FIERCE TIGER!
THIS WILL KEEP YOU WARM!

In a single white flash, Wind couldn't dodge or move from the ground.
THREE FEET ICE SEAL
HA!
His upper clothes were ripped apart by the sheer force from the Snow-Fed Sabre, without hurting his body! It was enough to show that Nie Feng Wang is one of the elites of the martial arts world!
HAHA! DRINKING THE TIGER'S BLOOD MADE YOU STRONGER THAN EVER, LIKE A REAL MAN!

OHH!
I'LL SLAUGHTER THEM TOGETHER!

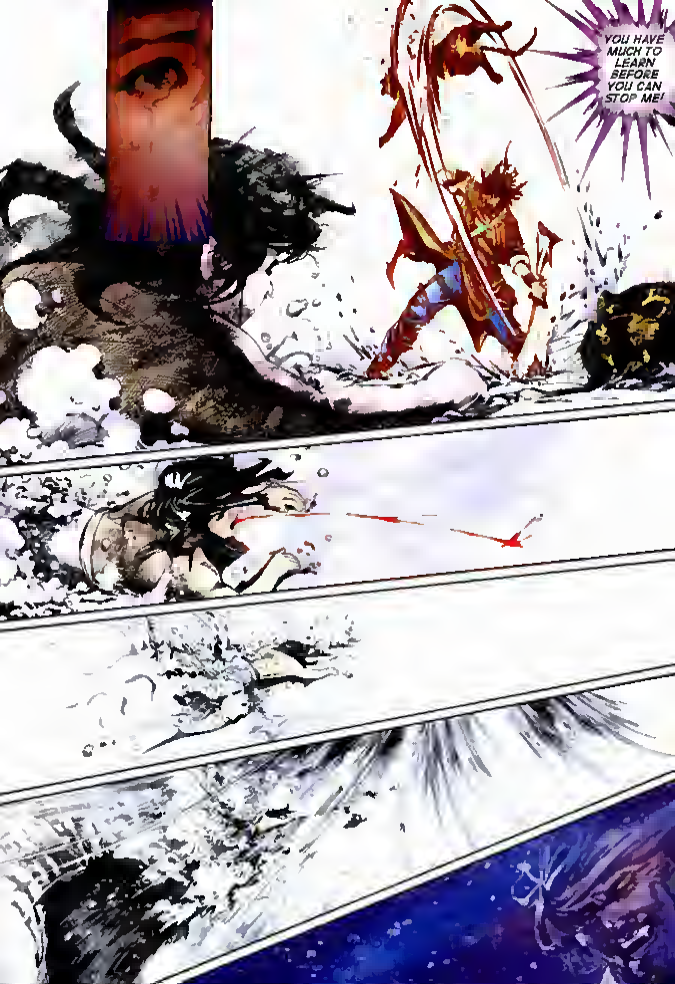
DAD, NO!
Turning his head back, Nie Ren Wang noticed that there were no foot prints in the snow!
With Wind protecting the cubs, Nie Ren Wang had to stop in his tracks
HNG! WHAT RIGHT DO YOU HAVE TO DEFY ME?
BRAT! YOU'VE MASTERED THE "NO STEPS LIGHT BODY" SKILL... EVEN I HAVEN'T MASTERED IT YET

Wind parried his father's attack calmly, showing no signs of fear.
BRAT, HOW DARE YOU BLOCK ME!
DAD THEY'VE ALREADY LOST THEIR MOTHER PLEASE LET THEM GO
AHHH!
SFX GROWL

Nie Ren Wang showed no mercy even to Wind

NO ONE IN THIS WORLD IS ABLE TO STOP ME!

SWUUUUSH


YOU HAVE MUCH TO LEARN BEFORE YOU CAN STOP ME!

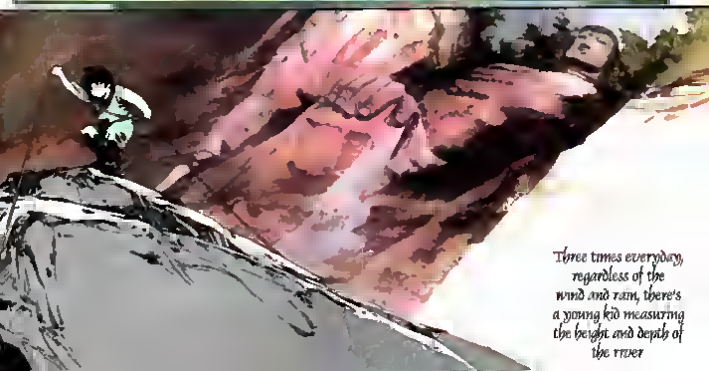
The unconscious Wind laid still while the snow started to envelop him.
However, Nie Ren Wang was heartless enough not to aid his son.

YOU'LL HAVE TO GET UP ALONE AFTER A FALL. NO ONE WILL HELP YOU
With a strong will to survive, Wind's determination forced him to regain consciousness, and he struggled to keep moving forward

It's warm.
FINALLY BACK?
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO FREEZE TO DEATH, EAT TO KEEP WARM.
Hungry and tired, Wind gave in and ate the tiger's flesh.
HAHA! YOU'VE FINALLY UNDERSTOOD THAT WEAKLINGS ARE FOOD FOR THE STRONG!

NO, YOU'RE WRONG! I ONLY WANT TO SURVIVE SO THAT I CAN DEFEAT YOU AND STOP YOUR CRAZINESS
WAHA -HAHA! GOOD! THAT'S MY SON! YOU'VE GOT GUTS!

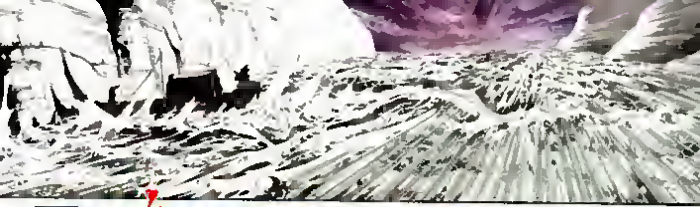
A strong river flows through the feet of a huge Buddha carving, which was crafted during the Tang Dynasty by its inhabitants, Yue Mountain's Big Buddha!



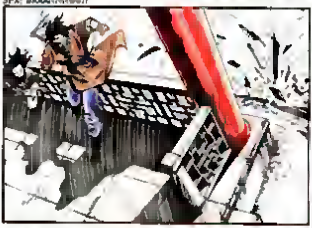
Three times everyday, regardless of the wind and rain, there's a young kid measuring the height and depth of the river

HMM. THE WATER IS RISING AGAIN. GOT TO LET DAD KNOW. HE'LL BE HAPPY.
HEY, SHUT THE HELL UP! STOP IT OR I'LL HIT YOU!
DUAN LANG*
BUDDHA MUST BE SAD BEING AROUND THAT KID WITHOUT A MOTHER! HAHAHAHA!
HAHA, THAT SON OF THE SOUTHERN SWORD MANIAC IS MEASURING THE WATER AGAIN.
*DUAN LANG IS HIS NAME, LANG="WAVE". SO WE'LL CALL HIM WAVE, JUST LIKE HOW WE DID FOR WIND AND CLOUD.
I WON'T LET YOU RUN!
WAAA! RUN! THE MOTHERLESS BASTARD IS GETTING ANGRY!

I'LL TEACH YOU A LESSON TODAY!
On the surface of the river, a tiny boat rowed through the rough water at an incredible speed.
Though he was young, Wave was strong and tough. He fought bravely against kids older than him.
The tiny boat travelled like a released arrow towards the Big Buddha.
On the boat are Nie Ren, Wang and Wind.



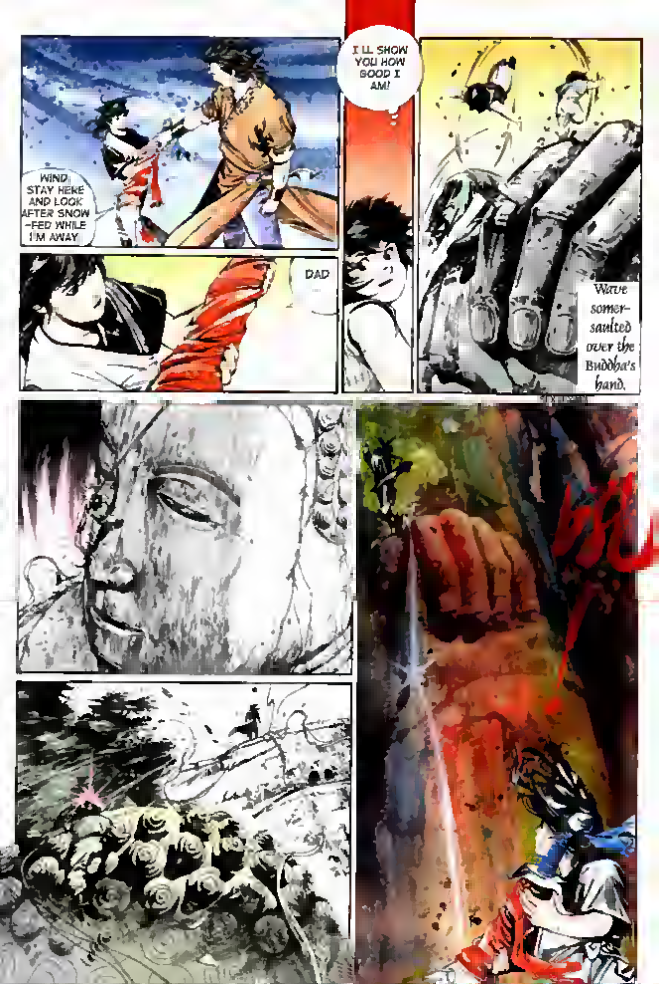
SFX: BAAAAAAAAAH!!!



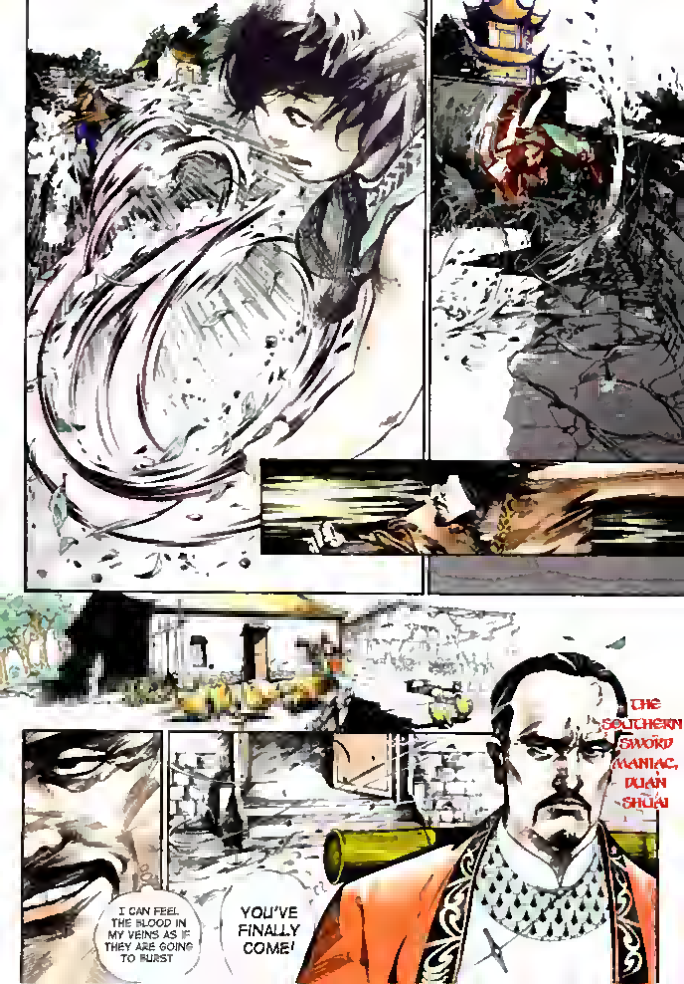
NICE SKILL! HUH? THAT SWORD...

From within the wrecked boat, the pair leaped towards the edge of the mountain.

IT'S HIM!
ARE YOU HERE TO MEET THE SOUTHERN SWORD MANIAC, SIR?
PLEASE FOLLOW ME SIR. THERE'S A SHORT CUT HERE
THAT'S RIGHT
I'M WAVE MY FATHER HAD ORDERED ME TO WAIT FOR YOU HERE FOR A LONG TIME


WIND, STAY HERE AND LOOK AFTER SNOW-FED WHILE I'M AWAY.
I'LL SHOW YOU HOW GOOD I AM!
DAD
We've somersaulted over the Buddha's hand.
BIG!

Upon reaching the top, Nie Ren Xiang noticed a sharp aura that began to suffocate the surroundings, the Sword's aura!
AHH, WHEN DID HE REACH THE TOP?
GREAT SKILL SIR, I'M IMPRESSED!
WHAT A SHARP AURA! DUAN SHUAI, FINALLY WE CAN MEET!
As Wave began to take his first step, a strong gust of wind bowled past him.
SIR, MY DAD'S OVER AT THE HUT. LET ME GUIDE YOU THERE


THE SOUTHERN SWORD MANIAC, DUAN SHUAI
I CAN FEEL THE BLOOD IN MY VEINS AS IF THEY ARE GOING TO BURST
YOU'VE FINALLY COME!

PARTNER, OUR OPPONENT IS HERE. YOU SHOULD FEEL HAPPY. WHY DON'T YOU REACT?
THIS GUY IS HIS ACCOMPLICE. LET'S ATTACK HIM TOO!
BIG BRO THE BRAT IS UP AHEAD. YOU'VE GOTTA PUNCH THE HELL OUT OF HIM.
DAD TREASURES SNOW-FED MORE THAN HIS LIFE. THERE MUST BE A REASON WHY HE LEFT IT BEHIND

DAMN BRAT. HOW DARE YOU OFFEND THE SIX BANDITS OF YUE MOUNTAIN? YOU ARE ASKING FOR DEATH!
I AM THE ONE YOU SHOULD FIGHT!

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CHAPTER 2
- LEGEND -

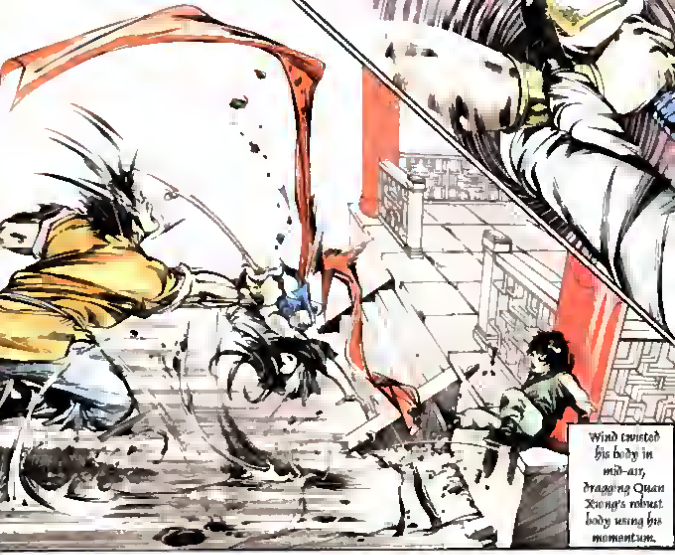
BASH!
HAVE A TASTE OF MY KICK!
HEAD OF THE 9 BANDITS: QUAN XIONG (HEAVY-FIST)
AMN THAT BASTARD! I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM!
DON'T LOOK DOWN ON ME!
Quan Xiong had always been a brigand of the mountain and had once killed two men with a single fist!
TASTE MY IRON FIST!

Though fast, his physical strength isn't on par for weaker than Quan Xiang's.
CRUSH!
TRY DODGING THE DUAN FAMILY'S SWORD-PLAY!
Wang used the bamboo pole as a sword and directed his attack towards the fist.
MY POLE!
NICE PUNCH!
WHO ASKED YOU TO MOVE? STAY STILL!
3RD OF THE 6 BANDITS - LI YAN (SHARP EYES)

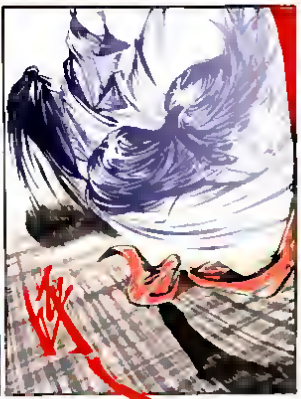
SORRY, BUT I'M NOT USED TO FIGHTING WITH STRANGERS
OI, AREN'T YOU GOING TO TEACH THEM A LESSON?
While they were in the middle of their conversation, the bandit took the opportunity to punch Wave.
EXCUSES! YOU'RE JUST A COWARD!

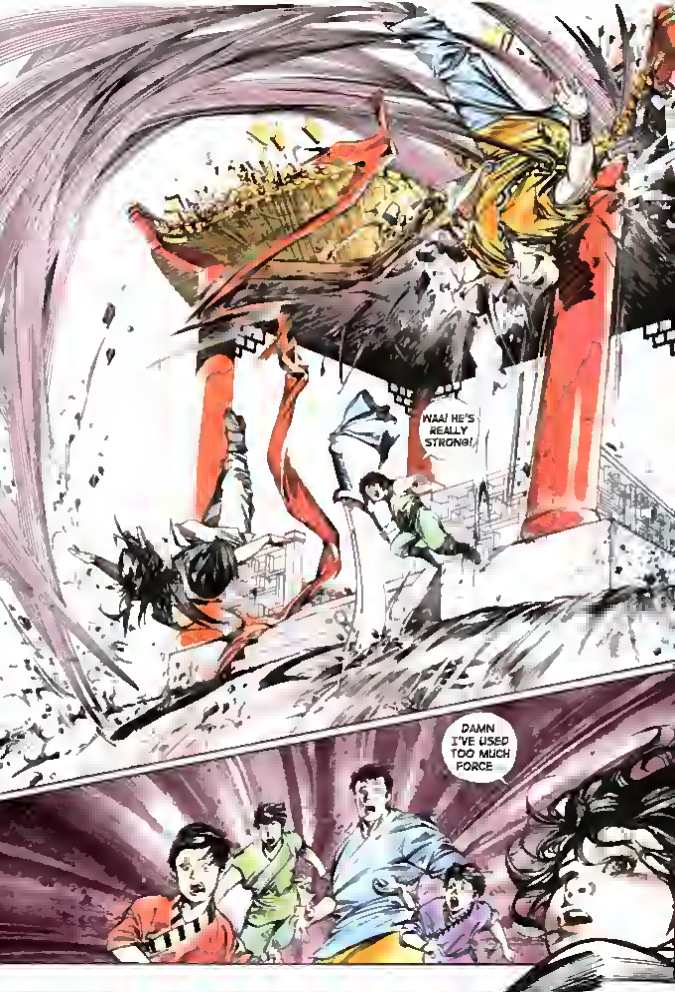
AAH!
The bandit snatched the Swan-Fei Sabre while Wind tried to help Wave.
WAVE !
GO TO HELL, BAC-TARO!

DON'T TOUCH MY DAD'S SABRE!
STRONG!

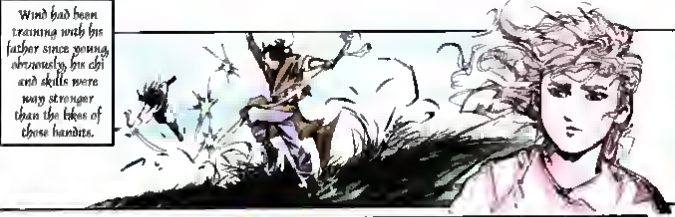

Wind twisted his body in mid-air, dragging Quan Xiang's robust body using its momentum.

BOOM!


SWOOSH!


WAA! HE'S REALLY STRONG!
DAMN I'VE USED TOO MUCH FORCE

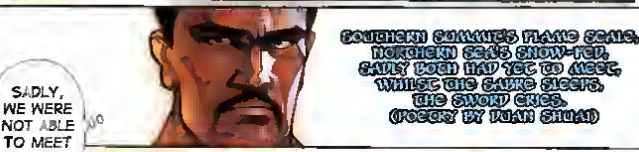
Wind had been training with his father since young, obviously, his chi and skills were way stronger than the likes of those bandits.



At the summit, Nie Ren Wang rushed towards the sharp aura he felt.

In front of the hut, a man calmly awaited his arrival — Duan Shuai.

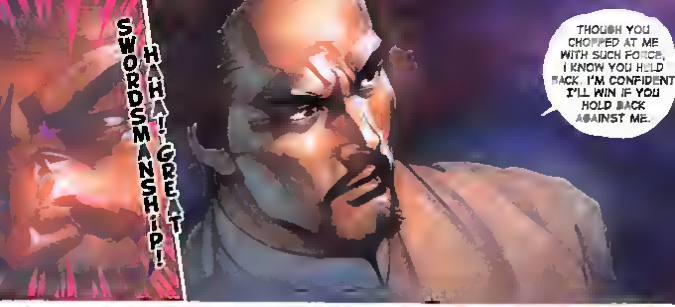
Every step Nie Ren Wang took made him feel more and more excited!

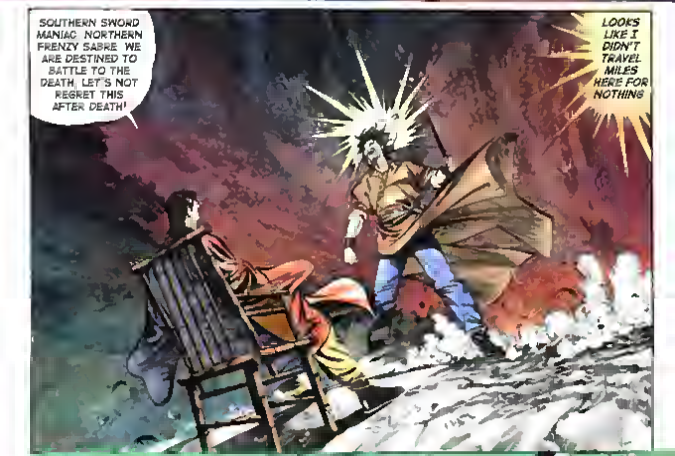

SADLY, WE WERE NOT ABLE TO MEET EARLIER.
SOUTHERN SUMMER'S FLAME SCALE,
NORTHERN SEA'S SNOW-RED,
SADLY BOTH HAD YET TO MEET,
WHILST THE SABRE SLEEPS,
THE SWORD CRIES.
(POETRY BY DUAN SHUAI)

Nie Ren Wang grabbed a knife and slashed at Duan Shuai!

Nie Ren Wang started off with the Nie Family's killer move.
1ST MOVE JING HAN YI PIE
WHAT A PITY!
WHY DON'T YOU RETALIATE?
THIS IS DISAPPOINTING!

Nie Ren Wang stopped his attack forcefully. The force was so strong that it caused the wooden shelter beside the hut to shake violently.
HOWL!
However, Duan Shuai didn't even blink an eye and looked rather solemn.
NONSENSE! WEREN'T YOU AFRAID TO DIE BY THIS KNIFE JUST NOW?
WHERE'S YOUR PRECIOUS PARTNER?
THE KNIFE YOU HOLD IS NOT FIT FOR ME TO USE THE FLAME SCALE SWORD.


SWORDSMANSHIP!
H-H-I-GREAT
THOUGH YOU CHOPPED AT ME WITH SUCH FORCE, I KNOW YOU HELD BACK. I'M CONFIDENT I'LL WIN IF YOU HOLD BACK AGAINST ME.


SOUTHERN SWORD MANIAC. NORTHERN FRENZY SABRE. WE ARE DESTINED TO BATTLE TO THE DEATH. LET'S NOT REGRET THIS AFTER DEATH!
LOOKS LIKE IT DIDN'T TRAVEL MILES HERE FOR NOTHING

NO. I STILL HAVE ONE MORE THING TO SETTLE.
GREAT LET'S START!

AND VICE VERSA!
NO PROBLEM.
THAT'S RIGHT. I HAVE A SON NAMED WAVE. IF I DIE, PLEASE TRAIN HIM UP WELL.
YOU SHOULD HAVE PREPARED BEFORE THE BATTLE. OR DOES IT HAVE TO DO WITH ME?
Nie Ren Wang started his attack again.
THAT'S NOT NEEDED FOR MY SON HE'LL TAKE REVENGE FOR ME, IF I DIE!

The wooden chair was shattered into pieces as Duan Shuai leaped off.

Duai Shuai moved backwards, Nie Ren Wang leaped above the roof.

DUAN'S FAMILY INHERITANCE: THE FLAME SCALE SWORD
Above the roof, Nie Ren Wang aimed for his prey.

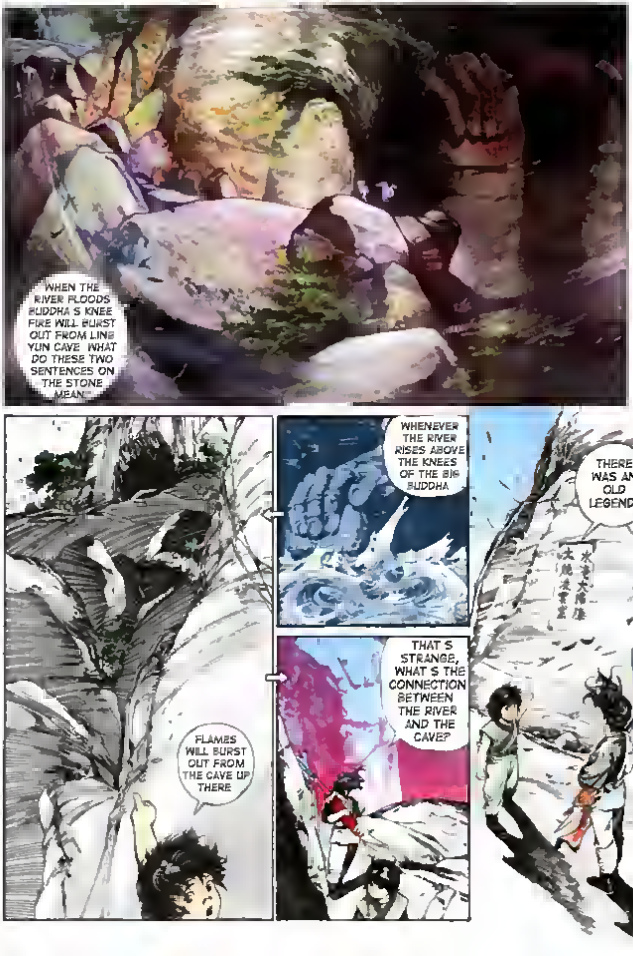
THIRD MOVE XIONG
XING CHUQIANG
Nie Ren Wang crushed the roof with a single strike.
WHAT A DESTRUCTIVE SKILL!
Duan Shuai held the sword and looked up at his foe

Following the momentum of the sword, he twisted his lower body in a circular motion.
FU ZHUO CHUO CHENG!
He waved his sword in a circular motion and unleashed "Devouring Sun's Swordplay"
With the overwhelming strike from the top, Duan Shuai was forced to defend himself
Sparks flew and light flashed continuously. Nie Ren Wang couldn't find an opening in the defending Duan Shuai.

While the force from the knife decreased, Duan Shuai turned from defending to attacking and used the Flame Scale Sword to create several illusions and cause a blinding light.
BAI YONG PO XIAO
WHY DON'T YOU UN-SHEATH?
WHY DON'T YOU UNSHEATH YOUR SWORD?
TAO JI YAO YAO
Nie Ren Wang blocked and parried each and every one of the sword's strikes against him.

YOU'LL DEFINITELY LOSE IF YOU DON'T UNSHEATH IT.
FLAME SCALE WILL NOT BE UNSHEATHED UNLESS IT IS AGAINST SNOW-FED.
YOU'RE WRONG.
SFX: RING!

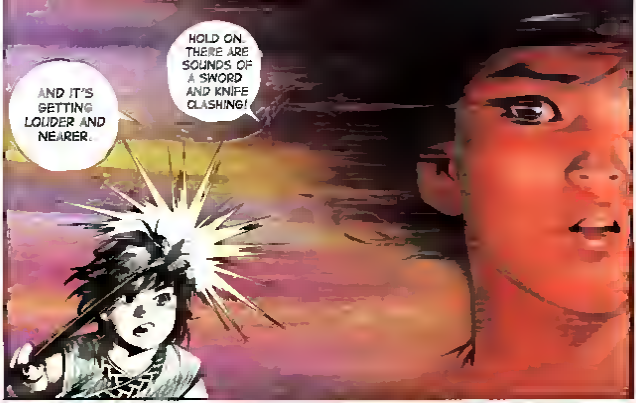
Flame Scale extended itself from its sheath and went towards Nie Ren Wang, who was shocked
I DON'T NEED TO USE IT'S BLADE TO DEFEAT YOU
GOOD, COME ON!
HE'S STRONG ENOUGH TO PARRY MOST OF MY ATTACKS I SHOULDN'T UNDERTEST! MATE HIM
HAHA GREAT! I DIDN'T BRING SNOW-FED ALONG BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO DEPEND ON ITS BLADE EITHER. GREAT MINDS THINK ALIKE.
Though slightly injured, Nie Ren Wang looked even more thrilled than before!


WHEN THE RIVER FLOODS BUDDHA S KNEE FIRE WILL BURST OUT FROM LING YUN CAVE WHAT DO THESE TWO SENTENCES ON THE STONE MEAN
FLAMES WILL BURST OUT FROM THE CAVE UP THERE
WHENEVER THE RIVER RISES ABOVE THE KNEES OF THE BIG BUDDHA
THAT S STRANGE, WHAT S THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE RIVER AND THE CAVE?
THERE WAS AN OLD LEGEND

I'M SUPPOSED TO MEASURE THE WATER LEVEL THREE TIMES A DAY
BUT THE DUAN FAMILY HAS BEEN LIVING HERE FOR GENERATIONS BECAUSE OF THIS LEGEND
I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT EITHER
I'M NOT SURE, DAD DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT IT TO ME.
DOES THIS LEGEND HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH YOUR FAMILY?
AND YOUR MUM?
MY MUM DIED WHEN I WAS BORN

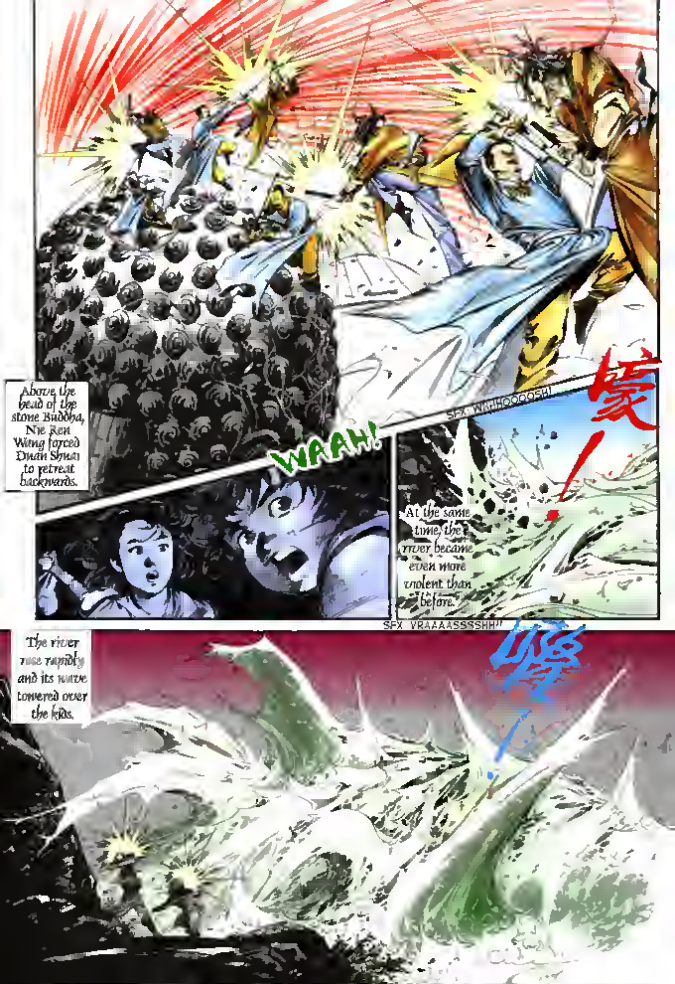
WHERE IS SHE? DIDN'T SHE COME WITH YOU?
SHE'S BEAUTIFUL.
YOUR MUM?
IS SHE BEAUTIFUL?
What I thought about something that happened in the past and two rows of tears flowed out from his eyes.
SORRY, BUT MY DAD DOESN'T ALLOW ME TO SPEAK ABOUT HER ANYMORE
HUH? WAVE, DID YOU HEAR THAT?
HE'S DISTRACTED NOW'S MY CHANCE!

HEAR? HEAR WHAT?
AHH IT'S THE SOUND OF THE RIVER
SFX: AHOO...WOOSH!
WAAA, THE WATER LEVEL IS RISING RAPIDLY.
I HAVE TO INFORM DAD NOW

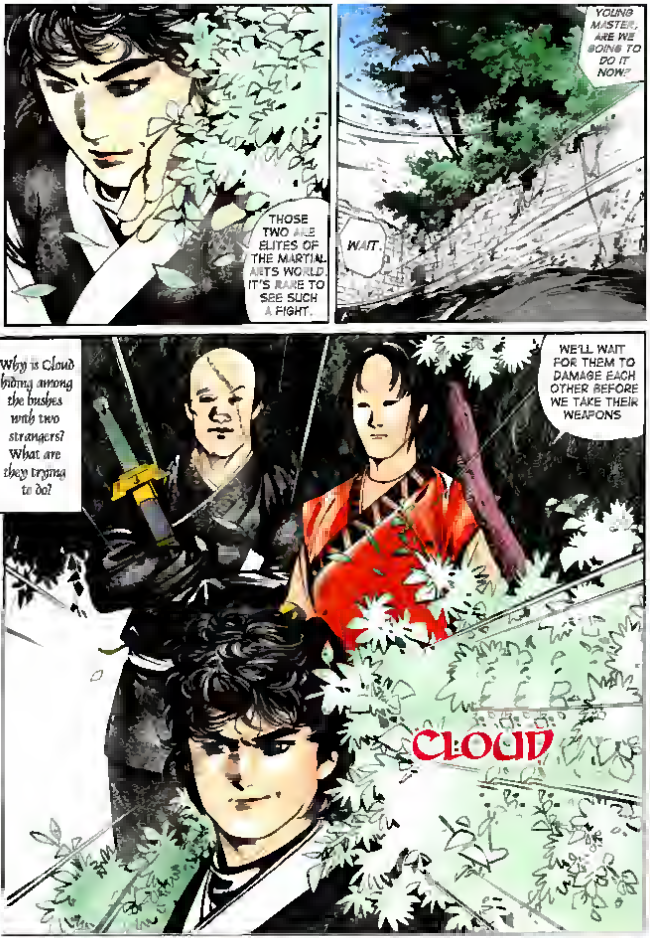

AND IT'S GETTING LOUDER AND NEARER.
HOLD ON. THERE ARE SOUNDS OF A SWORD AND KNIFE CLASHING!

HUH? WHERE'S THE SWORD AND KNIFE? I CAN'T HEAR ANYTHING.
AHH, THE SWORD IS BEING PUSHED BACK BY THE KNIFE.

AHH, LOOK UP THERE!


Above, the head of the stone Buddha, Nie Ren Wang forced Duan Shun to retreat backwards.
WAAH!
SFX: WHOOOOSH!
At the same time, the river became even more violent than before.
SFX: VRAAAASSSSHH!!
The river rose rapidly and its wave towered over the kids.

WAHHHHHH!
AH!
THERE'S ONLY FLAME SCALE. NIE KEN WANG IS NOT USING SNOW-FED
DAD, HELP!


THOSE TWO ARE ELITES OF THE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD. IT'S RARE TO SEE SUCH A FIGHT.
WAIT.
YOUNG MASTER, ARE WE GOING TO DO IT NOW?
Why is Cloud hiding among the bushes with two strangers? What are they trying to do?
WE'LL WAIT FOR THEM TO DAMAGE EACH OTHER BEFORE WE TAKE THEIR WEAPONS
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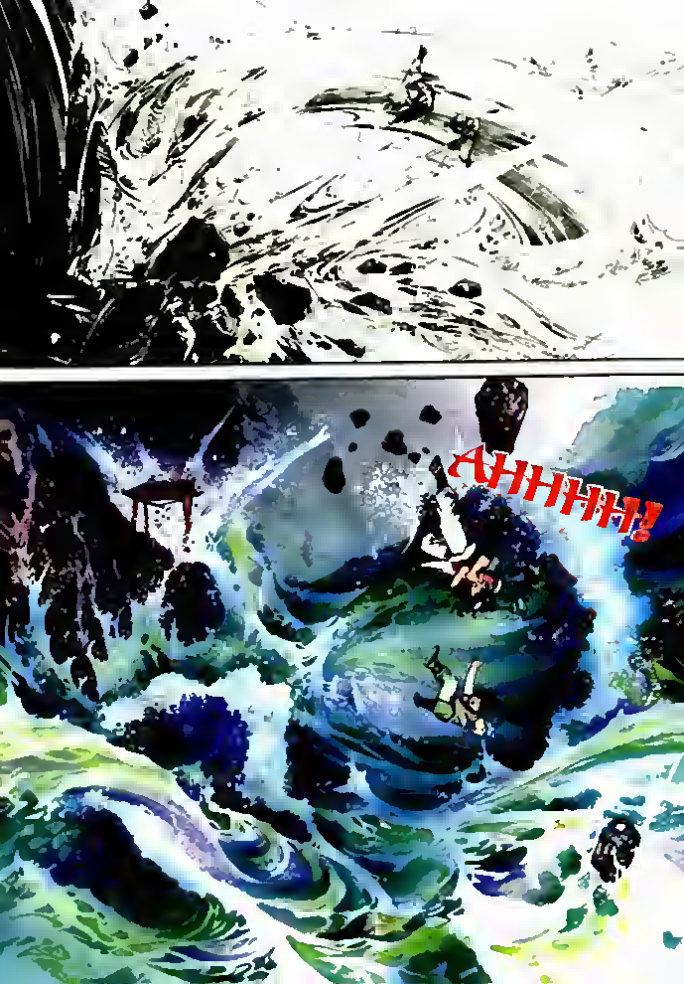
A SHOCKING CHANGE


AHHHH!

SFX: HOOOOOSHHHHH!
A wave from the river came right after another had stopped.
SFX: GULP GULP
Wind fought bravely against the river in order to survive.
Wind grabbed Waves hand tightly while fighting against the strong current.
They were dragged by the wave and thrown towards the cliff.
WAHHH!

Even with the strong current below, Wind still remembered to hold onto Wave tightly with his left hand.

HOLD ONTO ME TIGHTLY!
The wave threw both of them into mid-air while Wind flashed out Snow-Fed.

呔！
Faced with the life-or-death situation, Wind cleverly used his downward momentum to thrust the sabre into the fist of the stone Buddha!
WAH THE WATER FINALLY REACHED THE BUDDHA'S KNEE LEVEL!

SFX CLING CLANG
叮……
叮……
嗒……
After escaping safely, both of them calmed down and turned their attention towards the fight.
SFX PAO

WHY IS DAD DUELLING WITH WAVE'S FATHER?
After seeing Duan Shuai in a dangerous position, Wave became worried and started to climb upwards.
Against Nie Ren Wang's skills, Duan Shuai could only be forced backwards.
Duan Shuai had no time to answer the question.
WHY DON'T YOU SHOW ALL OF THE "DEVOURING SUN SWORDPLAY" IN FRONT OF ME?
YOUNG MASTER, SNOW-FED IS IN THE HANDS OF THAT KID.
OK, WAIT FOR MY ORDERS.

ATH YOUR SWORD BEFORE YOU DIE UNDER MY KNIFE!
Duan Shuai could only defend himself from the frenzied attacks while Nie Ren Wang became even more frenzied.
SFX: PINNG!
Nie Ren Wang was on the edge of winning however, Flame Scale Sword suddenly released flames that even shattered the knife into a thousand pieces!
Parrying one move after another, Duan Shuai was nearing his limit.

SFX: PAAH!
During that one second of shock, Duan Shuai took the opportunity to retaliate.
WHOOSSH!
Flame Scale shook violently, it unsheathed itself and sprung towards the sky, leaving Duan Shuai in shock.

After the sword calmed down, Duan Shuai unwrapped it, not towards Nie Ren Wang, but rather towards the grass.
Flame Scale lost control while Duan Shuai held onto it
COME BACK HERE!
PARTNER, WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
HAHA. NO WONDER YOU BECAME EXCITED PARTNER. AFTER ALL SNOW-FED HAD FINALLY COME TOWARDS US!
Duan Shuai realised the reason why the sword lost control while in mid-air.

COME ON SNOW-FED, FIGHT AGAINST MY FLAME SCALE SWORD!
KI LI CHONG TIAN
Just as his nickname Southern Sword Maniac suggested, he turned almost insane and executed his "Devouring Sun Swordplay!"
NO DAD, HE'S MY FRIEND!
Duan Shui's bloodshot eyes stared at Wind.
SFX: DANGER!
Wind pushed Wave away from the incoming sword.
DAMN YOU SCOUNDREL! YOU EVEN DARE TO TARGET A KID FOR A BATTLE WITH SNOW-FED SABRE. WHAT KIND OF ELITE MARTIAL ARTIST ARE YOU?

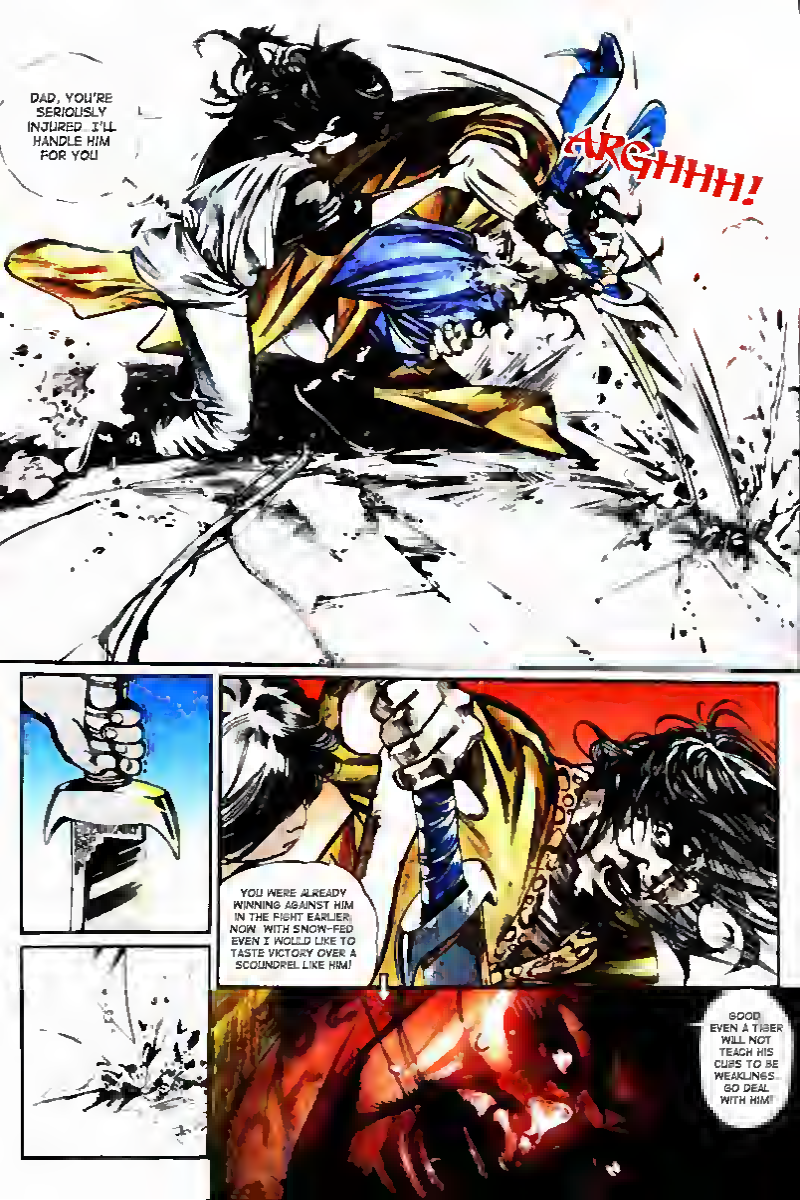
WIND, DODGE IT QUICKLY!
When unsheathed, the Flame Scale Sword enhances the power of the "Devouring Sun Swordplay", causing Ri Li Zhong Tian to look like a fireball raining down on Wind
However, the calm Wind did not show even a single sign of fear in his face.
DAO ZHI YAO YAO
Wind pulled the Sabre downwards and swung it upwards in a clockwise motion.

HAH, UP AGAINST A STRONG OPPONENT BUT NOT AFRAID. WHAT A BRAVE FELLOW!
Wind blocked the attack with the Snowy-Pine Sabre.

Duan Shuai was shocked that a kid managed to parry his attack even after his sword was unsheathed.
I TAUGHT WIND THE "HEART CALMING TECHNIQUE" SO THAT HE WOULD HAVE NO TROUBLE LEARNING SKILLS AS HE GREW OLDER BUT I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT HE HAD ALREADY MASTERED MY SABRE SKILLS!

SFX: BANG!
Though Wind blocked the sword, the differences in their qi and experience forced him to fly backwards and spit out blood.
*QI/INTERNAL ENERGY
HAHA, YOU DID GREAT THERE WIND. YOU DIDN'T TARNISH MY NAME

HAHA, SNOW-FED SABRE LIVES UP TO ITS NAME INDEED I'M PLEASED
I WILL.
After the sword was unsheathed, Duan Shan looked and sounded like a completely different person.
NIE REN WANG! PICK UP SNOW-FED AND FIGHT AGAIN!
However, the injury he sustained forced him to throw up blood.

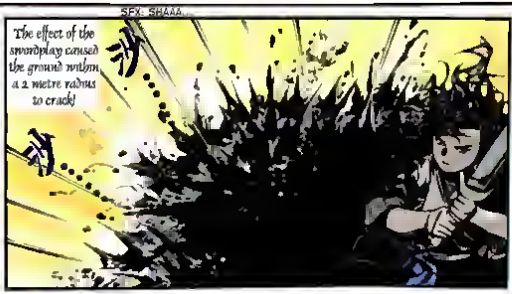

DAD, YOU'RE SERIOUSLY INJURED. I'LL HANDLE HIM FOR YOU
ARGHHH!
YOU WERE ALREADY WINNING AGAINST HIM IN THE FIGHT EARLIER. NOW, WITH SNOW-FED EVEN I WOULD LIKE TO TASTE VICTORY OVER A SCOUNDREL LIKE HIM!
GOOD. EVEN A TIGER WILL NOT TEACH HIS CUBS TO BE WEAKLINGS. GO DEAL WITH HIM!

Wind picked up the sabre and started to wrestle with Dhanu Shuai with his calmness.
EVEN AFTER BEING HIS FATHER FOR SO LONG, I DIDN'T NOTICE THAT HE HAD SUCH POTENTIAL. I'VE UNDERESTIMATED HIM
DON'T GO WIND. YOU'RE DEFINITELY NO MATCH FOR MY DAD!
I HAVE NO CHOICE!
MOREOVER HE'S AN ELITE OF THE MARTIAL ART'S WORLD. SO WHAT MAKES YOU THINK YOU CAN WIN? DROP YOUR SABRE NOW

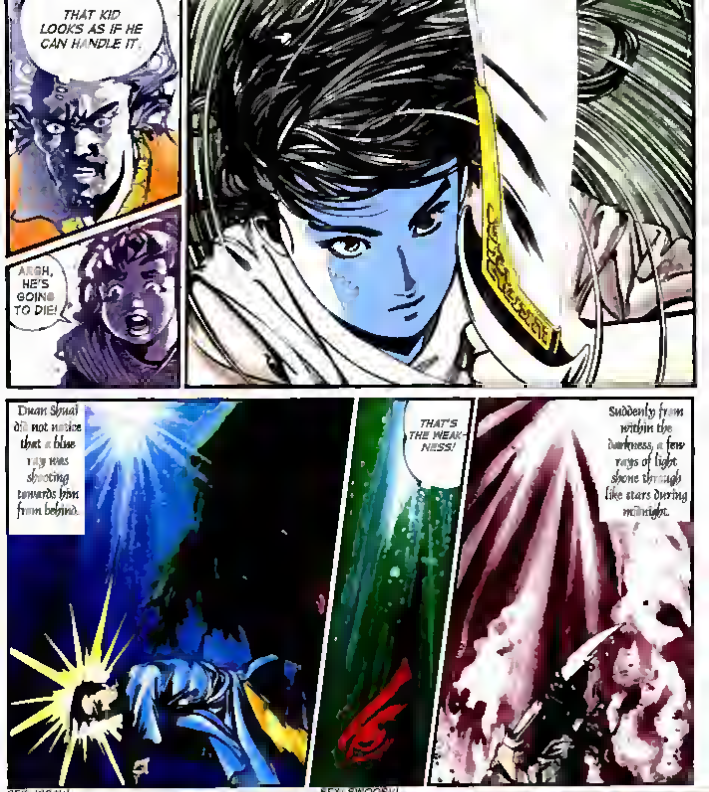
FLAME SCALE AGAINST SNOW-FED, SOUTHERN AGAINST NORTHERN. TODAY IS THE DAY WE WILL DUEL. NO ONE STANDS IN MY WAY!
DAD!
BUT DAD, HE SAVED MY LIFE JUST NOW. HAVE MERCY PLEASE!
The flames flared a wave, forcing him to scramble away.
WAVE I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS DAY FOR YEARS
DAMN. HERE COMES HIS ULTIMATE MOVE FROM "DEVOURING SUN SWORDPLAY" SUNDERING FROM SUN!
SO GET OUT OF MY WAY!

Suddenly, Wind was enveloped in darkness.

The darkness was caused by the rapid swordplay that screened out the sunlight!
THE ULTIMATE DEVOURING SUN SWORDPLAY, SUNDERING FROM SUN

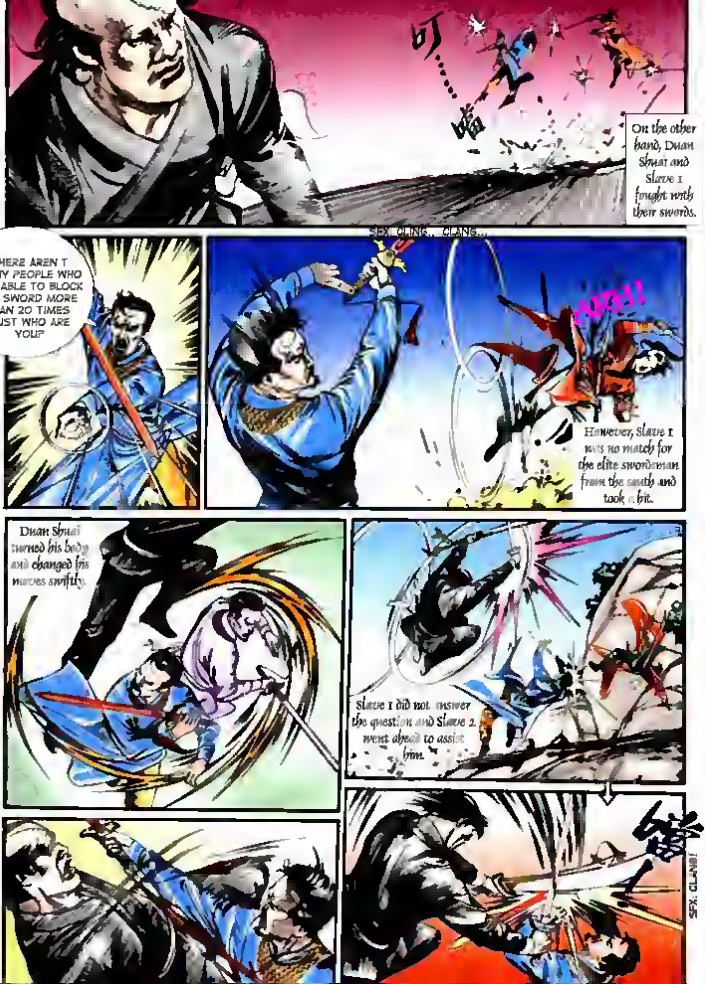

SFX: SHAAA...
The effect of the swordplay caused the ground within a 2 metre radius to crack!

Wind stood within the darkness without moving an inch.
SLAVE 2, GET SNOW-FED AWAY FROM WIND.
YES SIR!
SLAVE 1, YOU'LL TAKE CARE OF DUAN SHUAI.
This swordplay was so fearsome that even Nie Ren Wang couldn't find a way to break free.
IT'S VERY DANGEROUS WIND!
The realms of Duan Shui's swordplay was getting smaller and tighter every second. It was about to devour Wind, yet he remained as calm as ever.


THAT KID LOOKS AS IF HE CAN HANDLE IT.
ARGH, HE'S GOING TO DIE!
Duan Shuai did not notice that a blue ray was shooting towards him from behind.
THAT'S THE WEAKNESS!
Suddenly from within the darkness, a few rays of light shone through like stars during midnight.
SFX: WOAH!
SFX: SWOOSH!

Duan Shui immediately turned his sword and defended himself from the assassin.
CLANG!
THAT'S A VERY SHARP AURA!
Wind had just come out from hell, and behind him, a whirlwind was spinning.

SFX: AH!
Slave 2 was too fast for Wind and caught him by surprise.
Slave 2 followed up his attack with a kick aimed at Wind's neck, his moves were enough to show that he was an elite in the martial arts
He twisted his sword and forced Wind to release his grip on the Sabre.
SFX: FLASH!
One of Cloud's slaves, Slave 2.
YOUNG MASTER, HERE'S SNOW-FED!
AHHH!
WHO ARE YOU?


Oh.....
On the other hand, Duan Shuai and Slave 1 fought with their swords.
SEK, CLANG... CLANG...
THERE AREN'T MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE ABLE TO BLOCK MY SWORD MORE THAN 20 TIMES. JUST WHO ARE YOU?
EYE!
However, Slave 1 was no match for the elite swordsman from the south and took a hit.
Duan Shuai turned his body and changed his moves swiftly.
Slave 1 did not answer the question and Slave 2 went ahead to assist him.
SEK, CLANG!

EVEN IF YOU DON'T SPEAK, I CAN TELL FROM YOUR MOVES THAT YOU GUYS ARE "THE TWIN DRAGONS" THAT WENT MISSING 10 YEARS AGO.
Though the slaves were highly skilled, Slave 2 was no match for Duan Shuai and also took a hit.
Slave 2 rolled towards Nie Ren Wang after taking the hit from Duan Shuai.
YOU'RE WRONG DUAN SHUAI, THEY ARE NOT THE TWIN DRAGONS. THEY DON'T SPEAK TO YOU BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO. THEY ARE MY LOYAL SLAVES!
THESE GUYS CAME FOR EVIL PURPOSES, BETTER STOP HIM FROM MOVING.
Nie Ren Wang pointed at Slave 2's acupoints to stop his movements.

SHUT UP!
WAVE!
NOW GIVE ME YOUR FLAME SCALE SWORD.
DAD, DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME!
LET GO OF WAVE, OR ELSE HE'LL DIE!
HE TOOK A STRAIGHT KICK FROM SLAVE 2 AND IS STILL ABLE TO MOVE! WHAT A PERSISTENT GUY!
While Slave 2 couldn't move, Wind picked up Snow-Fed and pointed it at the neck of Slave 2!

GOOD. FOLLOW THE ORDERS THEN!
YES
SLAVE 2 WILL YOU LISTEN TO MY ORDER AS IF IT WAS THE CHIEF'S ORDER?
YES SIR!
Though Slave 2 was highly skilled, he was willing to listen to C...'s order! Without even considering his words, he ended his life on Snow-Pain's blade!

Looking at the blood stained sabre, Wind was shocked and silvered.
This was the first mission Cloud took from his Sensei. Upon realising just how much authority he commanded over the slaves, he burst into laughter.
SFX: HAHAHAHAHAH...
W..WHY DID HE END HIS LIFE LIKE THIS?
Duan Shuai looked upon his sword even more than the life of his flesh and blood, his words shocked the crowd even more than the death of slave 21
THE FLAME SCALE SWORD HAS BROUGHT ME GLORY, WEALTH AND REPUTATION. IT'S MY HEART AND SOUL. I'D RATHER SACRIFICE MY SON FOR IT. KILL HIM IF YOU WISH!

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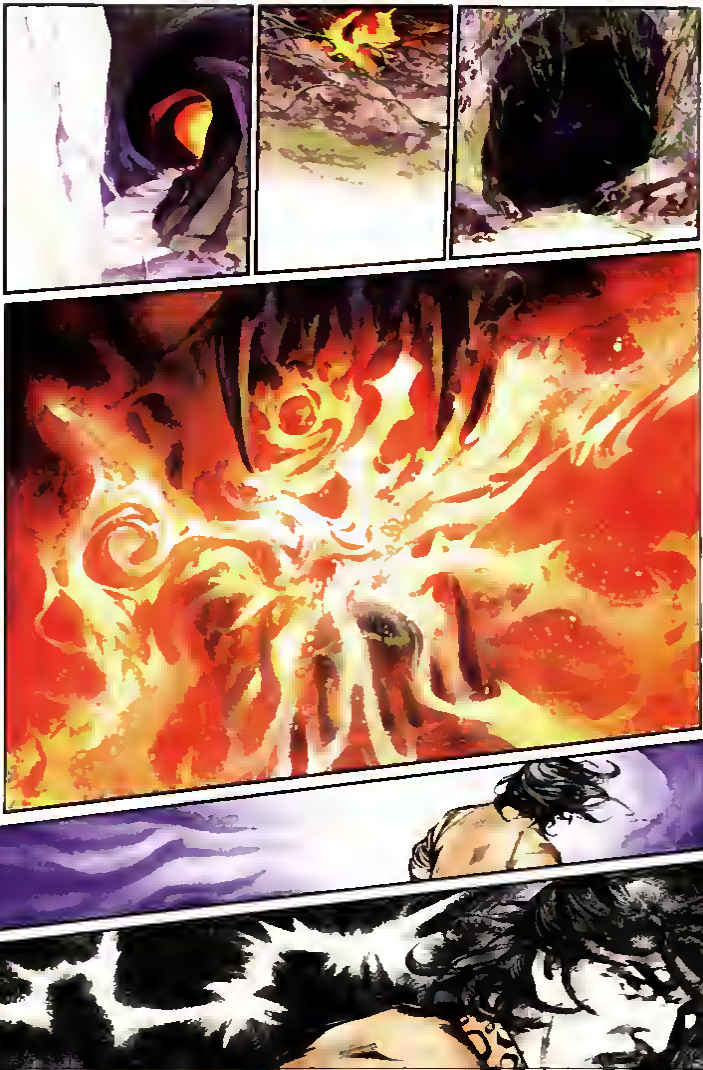
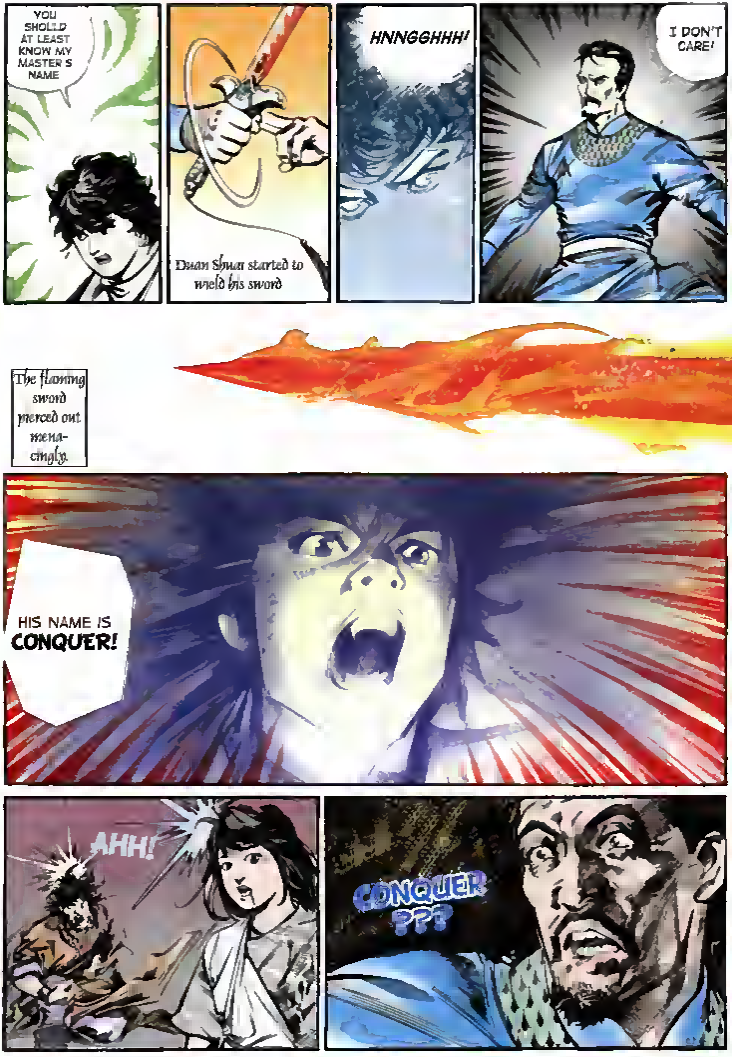
CHAPTER 04
BURNING FLAMES OF LING YUN CAVE

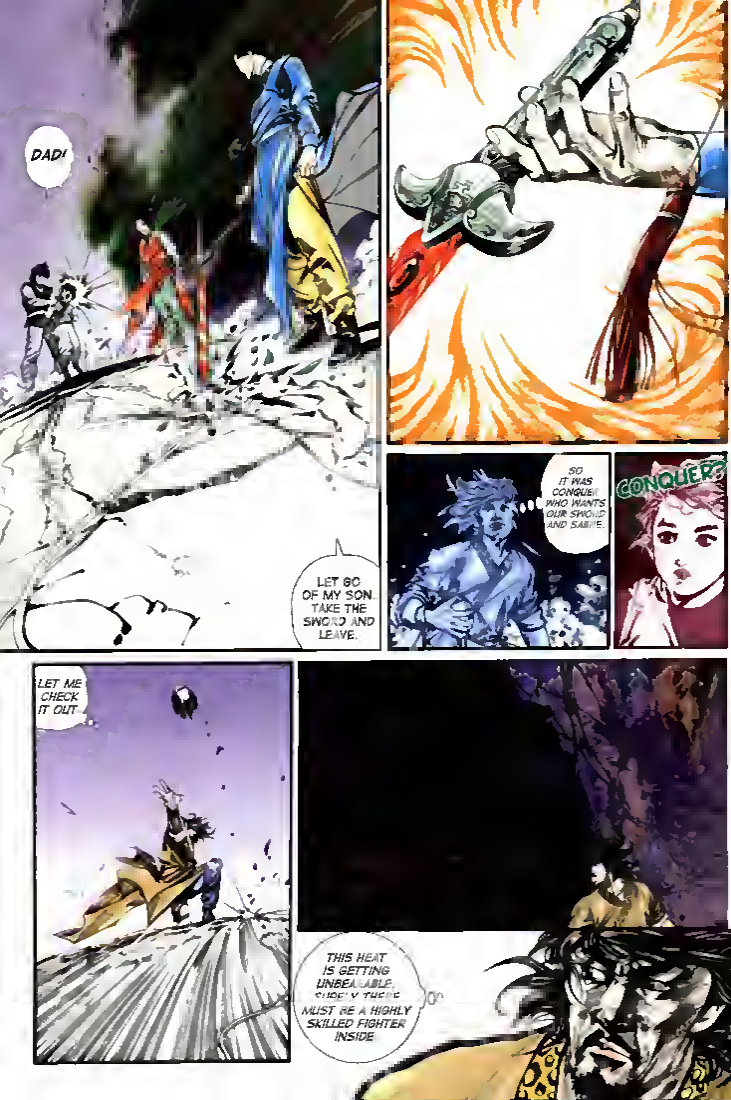


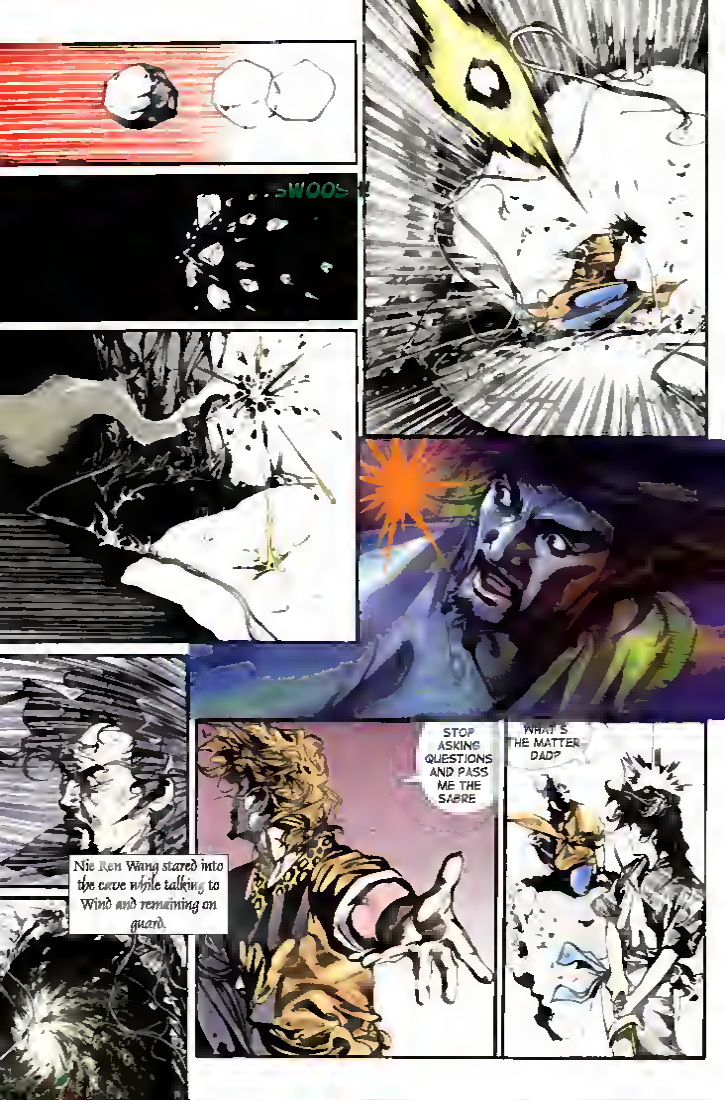
The Duan family who have been staying here for years were supposed to have some connections with Ling Yun Cave.
There was an old saying: After the water from the river rises above the Buddha's knees, strange things always follow.
By a twist of fate, the battle was starting to change way. An unknown youngster, Cloud, had emerged from nowhere and tried to steal Snow-Fed and Flame Scale. Furthermore, an unusual heat was rising from the cave.
WHAT A STRANGE HEAT. THERE MUST BE A HIGHLY SKILLED FIGHTER INSIDE THE CAVE.
Wind had tried to threaten Cloud to release Wave, but was shocked that the slaves were willing to die just from Cloud's order

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT HE DIED BECAUSE OF MY WORDS I'VE GOT TO BE CAREFUL OF WHAT I SAY
Fortunately, he regained his composure almost instantly because of his Heart Calming Technique.
Still, Wind felt uneasy by the fact that he caused Slave 2's death
THE FLAME SCALE SWORD BROUGHT ME HONOUR AND FAME I WOULD RATHER CHOOSE MY PARTNER INSTEAD OF MY SON!
Even though Wave thinks nothing of his own life, he was still shocked that the father he respects would say such a thing
KILL HIM IF YOU WANT!

STORIES SAID THE FLAME SCALE SWORD BEING ABLE TO CONTROL THE EVIL SIDE OF ITS MASTER'S HEART WASN'T JUST A MOUTH AFTER
HOWEVER, AFTER MY SON'S DEATH, NONE OF YOU WILL LEAVE THIS PLACE
and had spied on the Duan Family and learned that they were very close, which was why he chose to threaten using Wave. He wasn't expecting this.
"THIS = DUAN SHUAI'S REACTION"
Duan Shuai advanced forward in determination.
DUAN SHUAI, DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM?


YOU SHOULD AT LEAST KNOW MY MASTER'S NAME
Duan Shun started to wield his sword
HNNGGHHH!
I DON'T CARE!
The flaming sword pierced out menacingly.
HIS NAME IS CONQUER!
AHH!
CONQUER ??

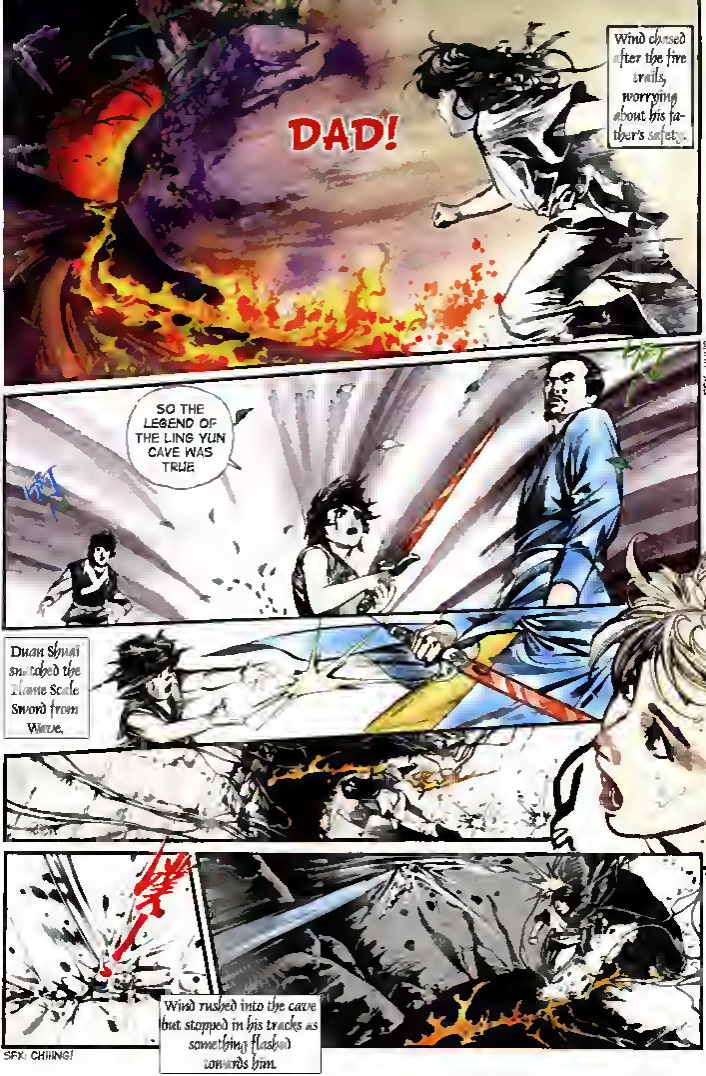

DAD!
LET GO OF MY SON. TAKE THE SWORD AND LEAVE.
SO IT WAS CONQUER WHO WANTS OUR SWORD AND SABRE.
CONQUER?
LET ME CHECK IT OUT.
THIS HEAT IS GETTING UNBEARABLE. SUDDENLY THERE MUST BE A HIGHLY SKILLED FIGHTER INSIDE.


WOOSH
WHAT'S THE MATTER DAD?
STOP ASKING QUESTIONS AND PASS ME THE SABRE
Nie Ren Wang stared into the cave while talking to Wind and remaining on guard.

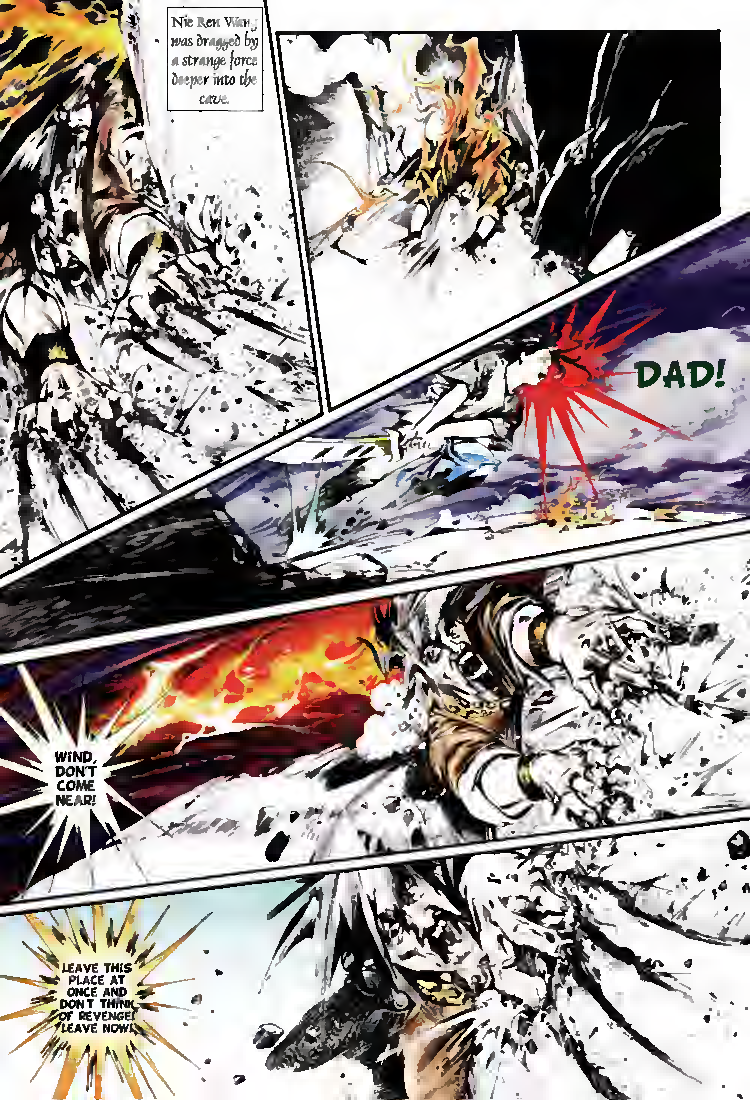
HEH. THAT'S WHAT YOU SHOULD'VE DONE FROM THE BEGINNING. NOW GET LOST!
DAD, THE FLAME SCALE SWORD IS OUR FAMILY HEIRLOOM. WE SHALL PROTECT IT WITH OUR LIVES TOGETHER.
I THOUGHT THAT MY ABILITIES ALONE WOULD BE ENOUGH, BUT I STILL USED CONQUER'S NAME IN THE END.
WAVE!
WHO IS THIS CONQUER THAT EVEN DUAN SHUAI LOST HIS WILL TO FIGHT?
IF IT WERE CONQUER THAT IS HERE, EVEN TEN LIVES STILL WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH.
LET'S FORGET IT.

HEH, ARE YOU FINALLY SHOWING YOURSELF?
I'LL SEE HOW STRONG YOU ARE AGAINST ME!
WAHHH!

Wind felt a gush of strong heat behind him after hearing a desperate scream from his father
AHHHH!
SFX: AH!!
DAD!
Turning his head around, Wind could only see two trails of fire and something dragging Nie Ren Wang at high speed.


DAD!
Wind chased after the fire trails, worrying about his father's safety.
SFX: HUHH
SO THE LEGEND OF THE LING YUN CAVE WAS TRUE
Duan Shuai snatched the Flame Scale Sword from Wave.
Wind rushed into the cave but stopped in his tracks as something flashed towards him.
SFX: CHIHNG!

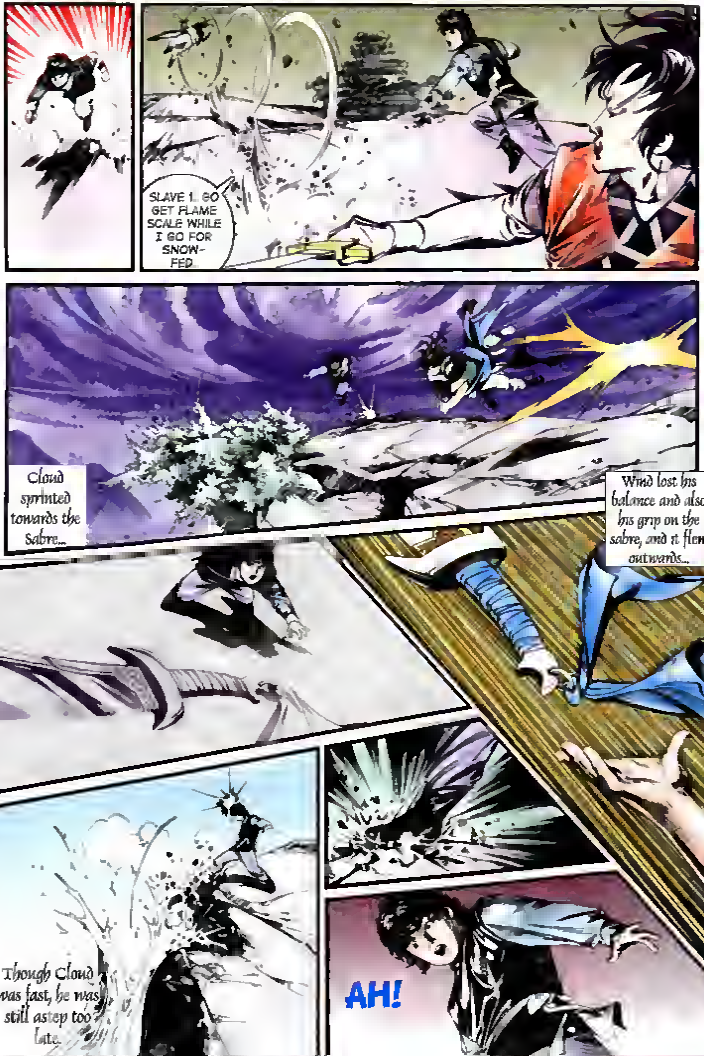
It's Snow-Fed Sabre! A deep cold came from the sabre, putting out the fire around it.
Wind was even more shocked to see that his tiger-like father was struggling like a captured beast.
DON'T COME IN, LEAVE!
WIND!
DAD!


Nie Ren Wan, was dragged by a strange force deeper into the cave.
DAD!
WIND, DON'T COME NEAR!
LEAVE THIS PLACE AT ONCE AND DON'T THINK OF REVENGE! LEAVE NOW!

SFX: AHHH
DAD!
A deep red flame gushed out from within the cave towards Wind.
Snow-Fed Sabre couldn't extinguish the flame, but forced it to split into two.
Although Wind reacted fast, his legs were caught by the flame

DAD, I'M COMING TO SAVE YOU!
YOU HAVE FINALLY SHOWN YOURSELF AFTER SO MANY YEARS!
I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE EVEN MORE FEARSOME THAN WHAT THE LEGEND SAID
COME HERE, KID!
Duan Shuai tore off his robe and pulled Wind aside.
FOOL!
NONSENSE, THAT SORT OF BRAVERY IS NOT GOING TO SAVE YOUR FATHER
LISTEN UP I'M THE ONLY ONE HERE THAT CAN SAVE YOUR FATHER SO DON'T GO WASTING YOUR LIFE AWAY!
I'M NOT AFRAID OF DEATH!

LEAVE THIS PLACE AND LOOK AFTER MY SON. STAY ALIVE AND DON'T EVER COME BACK HERE AGAIN.
Duan Shuai endured the flame behind him and threw Wind out
They were thrown to the edge of the cliff.
Duan Shuai forced Wind and Wave out of the cave.
SNOW-FED!


SLAVE 1, GO GET FLAME SCALE WHILE I GO FOR SNOW-FED
Cloud sprinted towards the sabre...
Wind lost his balance and also his grip on the sabre, and it flew outwards...
Though Cloud was fast, he was still a step too late.
AH!

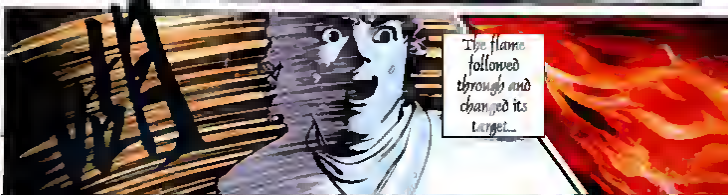
The river was rampaging violently and Cloud could only watch the saint disappearing into the river.
Duan Shun knew that the river is violent, but still chose to throw the boys into the river instead. It seems that there's something more dangerous inside the cave!

The flame shot out from within the cave towards slave 1.

DAMN, NOW THERE'S ONLY FLAME SCALE.

Not even deeply frightened Slave 1, but what was this that made him tremble inside out?

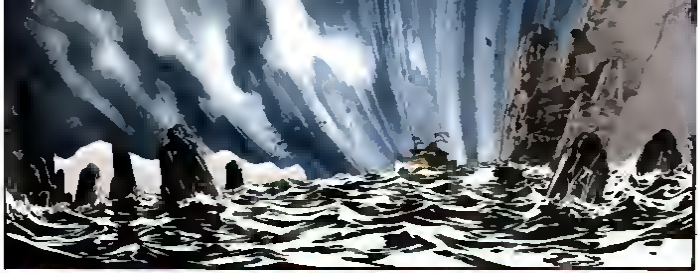
It was so fast that he didn't even have time to take a breath before he perished.

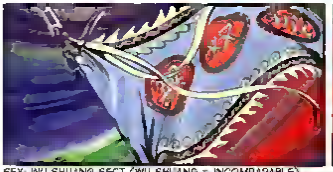

The flame followed through and changed its target...

SFX: WAH!

Cloud twisted his body and leaped away from the incoming flame.
The surroundings were instantly scorched by the unbearable heat and started to burn.
What made Cloud more surprised was the sensation he felt; a pair of threatening, bloodshot eyes

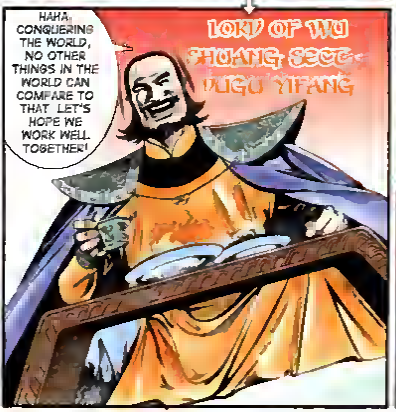
He knew that even if he managed to escape death, his destiny will be twisted upside down, again!
Cloud knew that turning his head around would mean death
However, out of curiosity, he still turned around to face the pair of eyes.

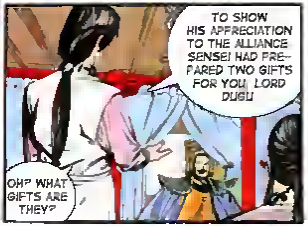


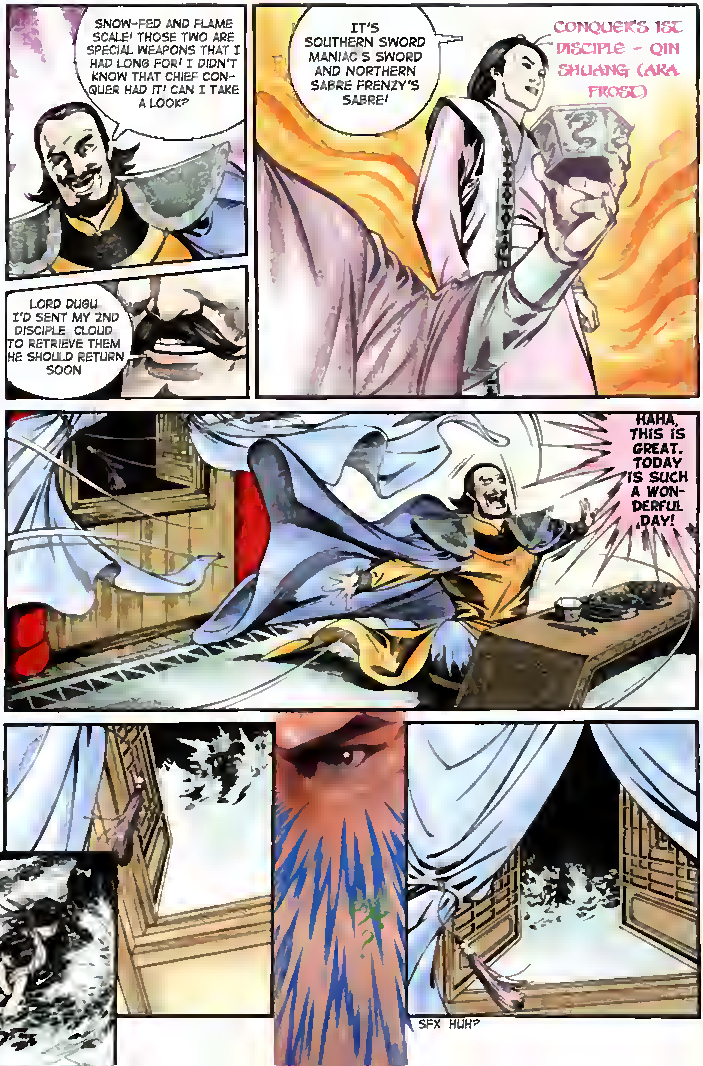


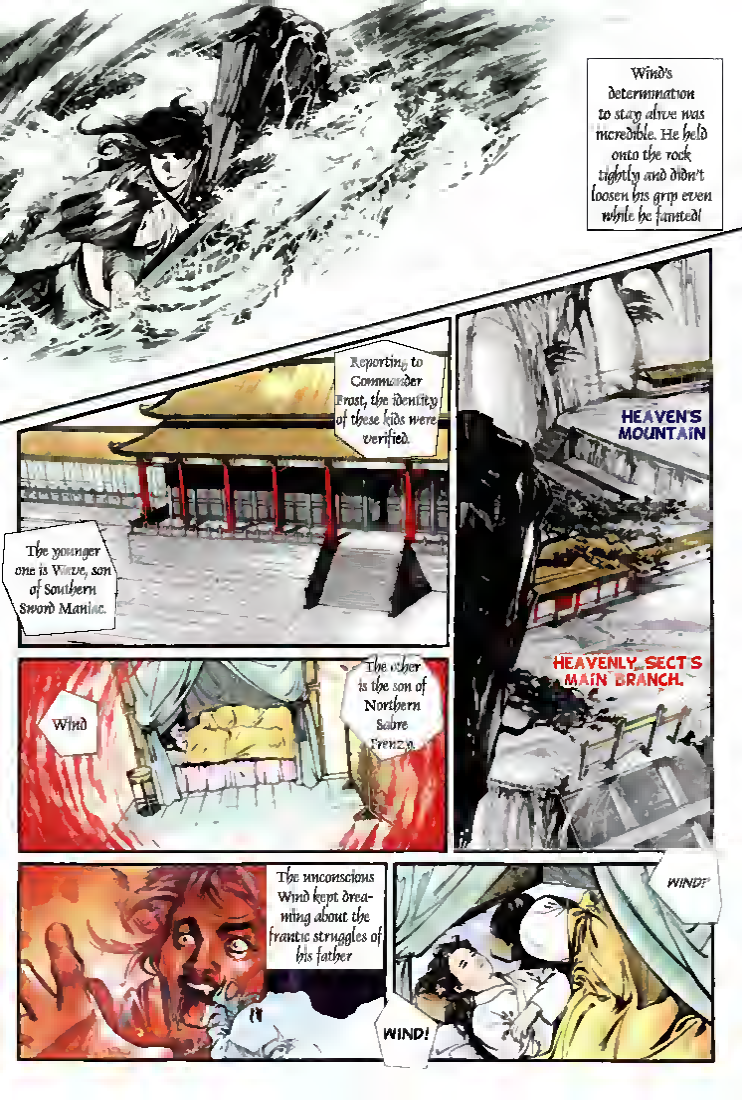
SFX: WU SHUANG SECT (WU SHUANG = INCOMPARABLE)

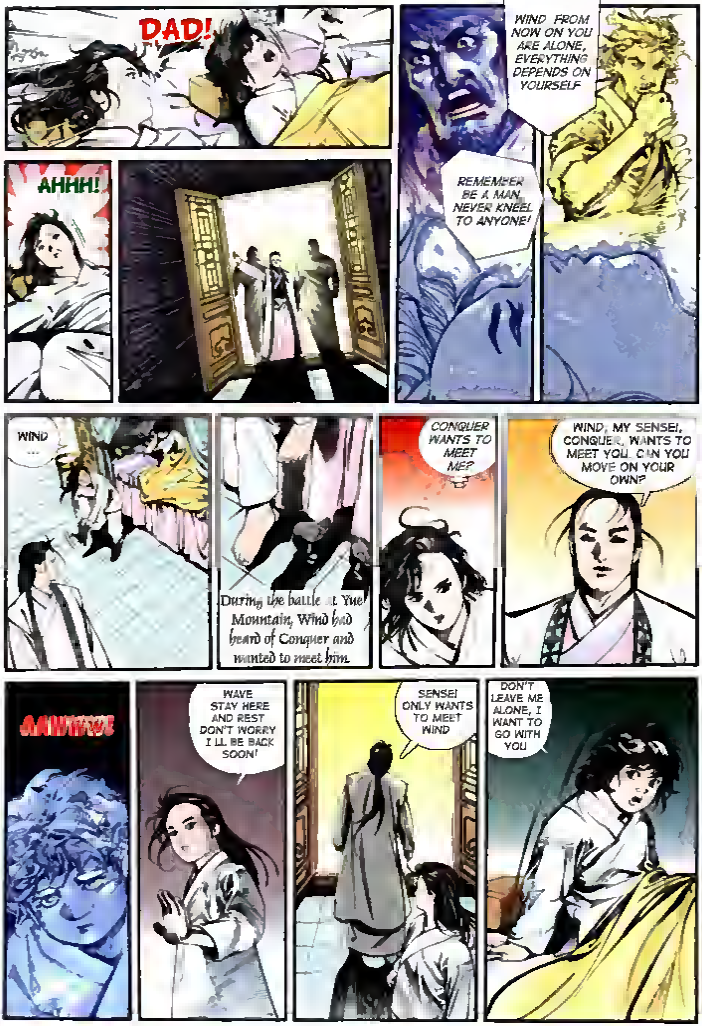
SFX: HEAVENLY SECT

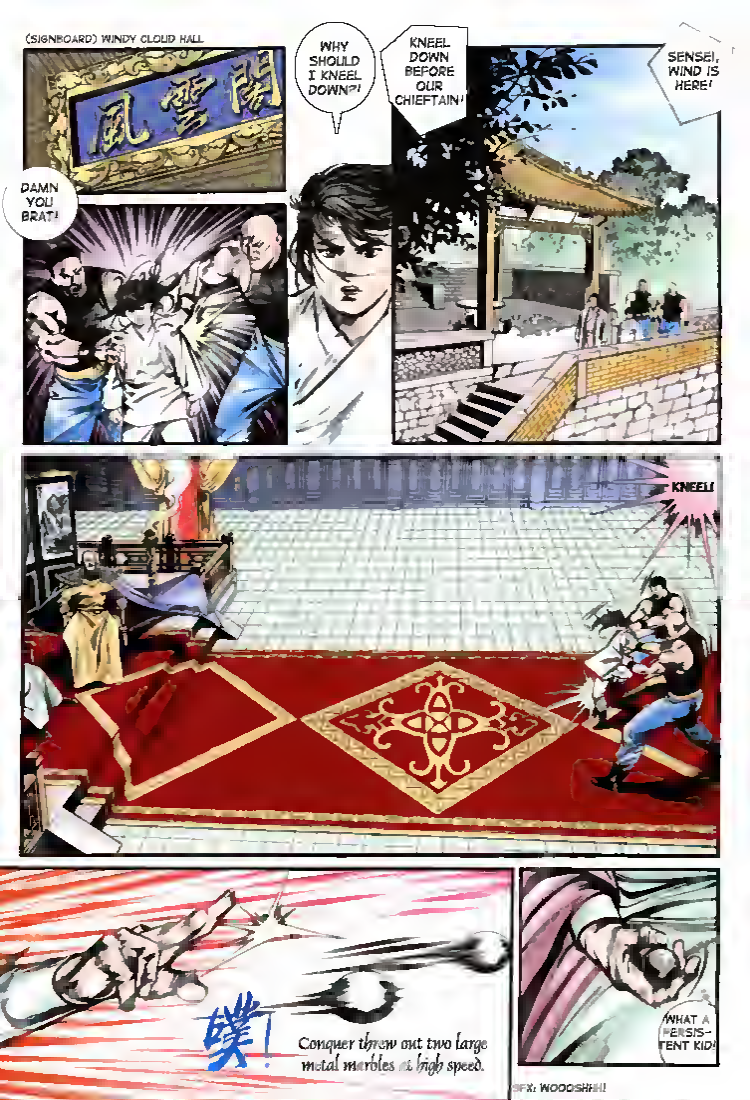

HAHA, CONQUERING THE WORLD, NO OTHER THINGS IN THE WORLD CAN COMPARE TO THAT. LET'S HOPE WE WORK WELL TOGETHER!
LORD OF WU SHUANG SECT
DUGU YIFANG



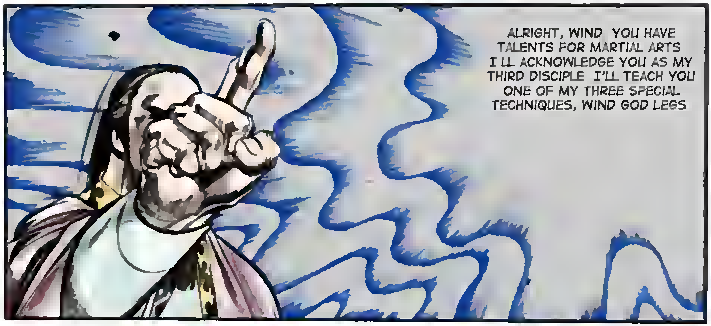

SNOW-FED AND FLAME SCALE! THOSE TWO ARE SPECIAL WEAPONS THAT I HAD LONG FOR! I DIDN'T KNOW THAT CHIEF CONQUER HAD IT! CAN I TAKE A LOOK?
LORD DUGU, I'D SENT MY 2ND DISCIPLE CLOUD TO RETRIEVE THEM HE SHOULD RETURN SOON
IT'S SOUTHERN SWORD MANIAC'S SWORD AND NORTHERN SABRE FRENZY'S SABRE!
CONQUER'S 1ST DISCIPLE - QIN SHUANG (ARA FROST)
HAHA, THIS IS GREAT. TODAY IS SUCH A WONDERFUL DAY!
SFX HUH?


Wind's determination to stay alive was incredible. He held onto the rock tightly and didn't loosen his grip even while he fainted!
Reporting to Commander Frost, the identity of these kids were verified.
The younger one is Wave, son of Southern Sword Maniac.
HEAVEN'S MOUNTAIN
HEAVENLY SECT'S MAIN BRANCH.
Wind
The other is the son of Northern Sabre Frenzy.
The unconscious Wind kept dreaming about the frantic struggles of his father
WIND!
WIND!

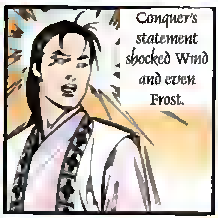

DAD!
WIND FROM NOW ON YOU ARE ALONE, EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON YOURSELF
REMEMBER BE A MAN, NEVER KNEEL TO ANYONE!
AHHH!
WIND ...
During the battle at the Mountain, Wind had heard of Conquer and wanted to meet him.
CONQUER WANTS TO MEET ME?
WIND, MY SENSEI, CONQUER, WANTS TO MEET YOU. CAN YOU MOVE ON YOUR OWN?
AAHHHH
WAVE STAY HERE AND REST DON'T WORRY I LL BE BACK SOON!
SENSEI ONLY WANTS TO MEET WIND
DON'T LEAVE ME ALONE, I WANT TO GO WITH YOU

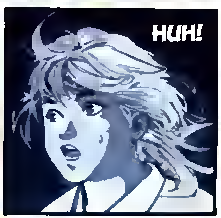

(SIGNBOARD) WINDY CLOUD HALL
風雲閣
DAMN YOU, BRAT!
WHY SHOULD I KNEEL DOWN?!
KNEEL DOWN BEFORE OUR CHIEFTAIN!
SENSEI, WIND IS HERE!
KNEEL!
Conquer threw out two large metal marbles at high speed.
WHAT A PERSISTENT KID!
SFX: WOOOSHH!!

SFX CRACK!
AH!
CHIEF CONQUER, THIS KID HAS GUTS
Though his kneecaps were smashed, Wind endured the pain and stood up!
CONQUER, THOUGH YOU SAVED MY LIFE, I WILL NOT KNEEL DOWN TO YOU!
EVEN THOUGH HIS BONES WERE SMASHED, HE STILL MANAGED TO STAND. HIS BODY IS TOUGH!
THAT DAY AT THE RIVER, I KNEW THAT THIS KID HAD AN AMAZING WILL-POWER
Deep in his thoughts, Conquer suddenly burst out and laughed in joy.
SFX HA HA !


ALRIGHT, WIND YOU HAVE TALENTS FOR MARTIAL ARTS I'LL ACKNOWLEDGE YOU AS MY THIRD DISCIPLE I'LL TEACH YOU ONE OF MY THREE SPECIAL TECHNIQUES, WIND GOD LEGS

STRANGE, CONQUER IS NOT A GENEROUS MAN, BUT HE IS WILLING TO TAKE ANOTHER DISCIPLE HE MUST BE UP TO SOMETHING!


Conquer's statement shocked Wind and even Frost.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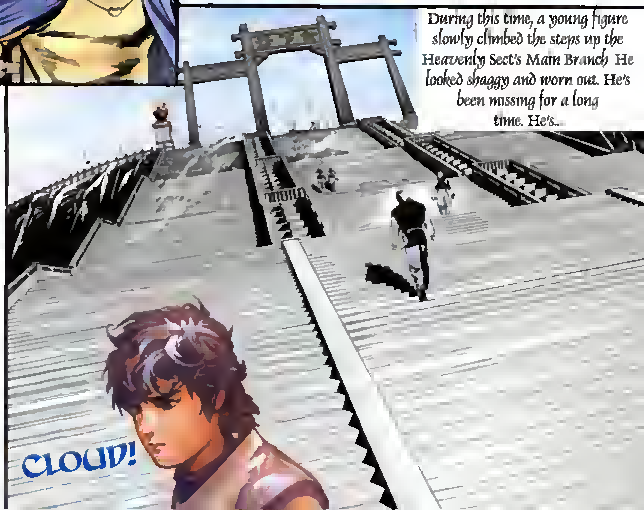
During this time, a young figure slowly climbed the steps up the Heavenly Sect's Main Branch. He looked shaggy and worn out. He's been missing for a long time. He's...
CLOUD!

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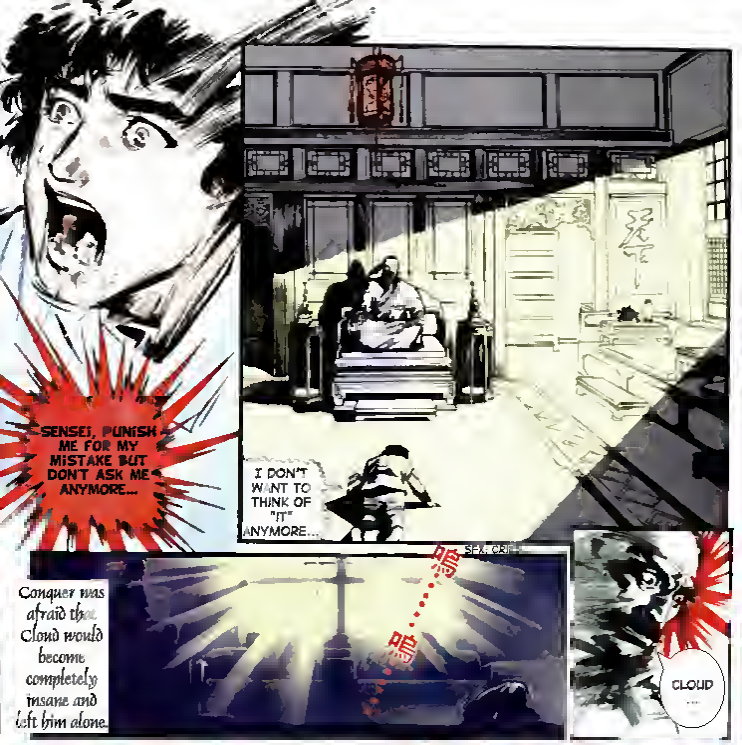
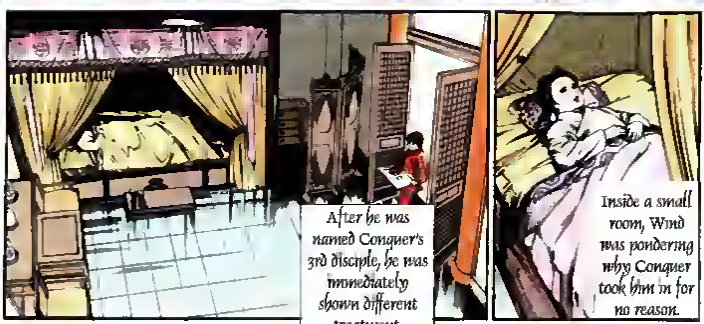
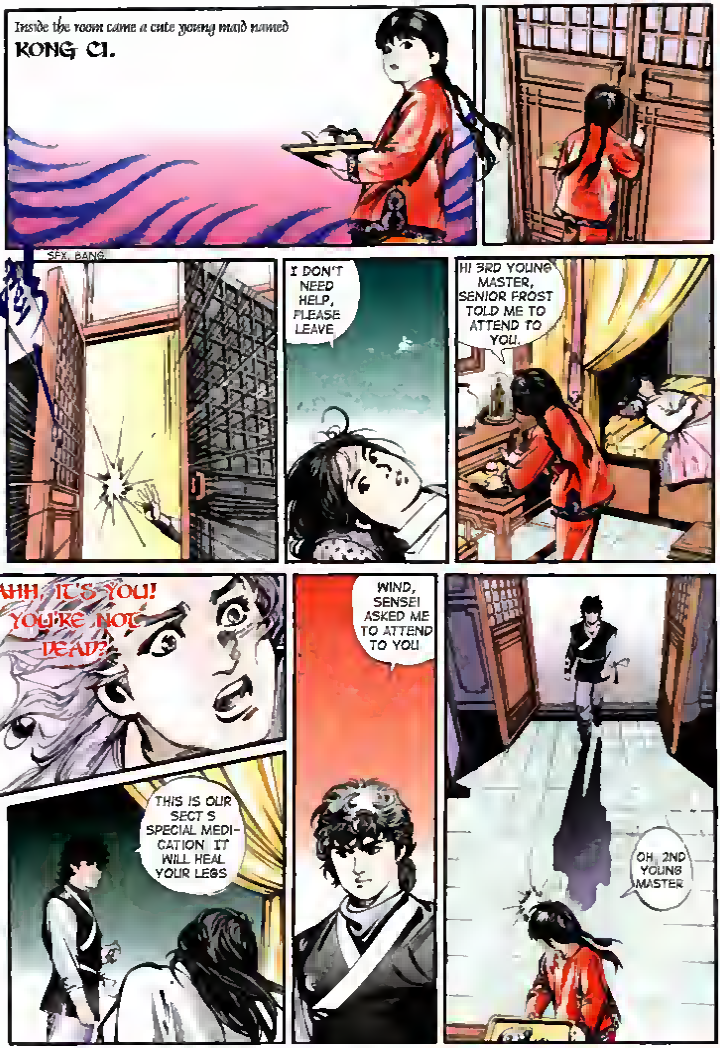
FROM NOW ON YOU ARE MY THIRD DISCIPLE!
BUT...
KNEEL DOWN AND PAY YOUR RESPECTS TO ME!
Conquer twisted his right foot and dragged the carpet with a great force...

SFX: THUD!
THIS KID IS STUBBORN BUT DETERMINED. CONQUER IS LUCKY TO HAVE HIM BY HIS SIDE
ONCE CONQUER HAS DECIDED ON SOMETHING NO ONE CAN OPPOSE HIM.
Though it was painful, Wind endured it.
...And forced Wind to kneel down.
SPEAK!
I'LL ASK YOU ONE LAST TIME. HOW DID YOU MANAGE TO LOSE BOTH FLAME SCALE AND SNOW-FED?
YES.
FROST, TAKE YOUR NEW JUNIOR OUT TO REST.
DON'T ASK ME ANYMORE... I DON'T WANT TO REMEMBER...
CLOUD HAS BEEN BEHAVING WEIRDLY EVER SINCE HE CAME BACK. WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED??
NOO DON'T FORCE ME... I DON'T WANT TO REMEMBER IT.


SENSEI, PUNISH ME FOR MY MISTAKE BUT DON'T ASK ME ANYMORE...
I DON'T WANT TO THINK OF "IT" ANYMORE...
SEX. CRI
Conquer was afraid that Cloud would become completely insane and left him alone.
CLOUD ....

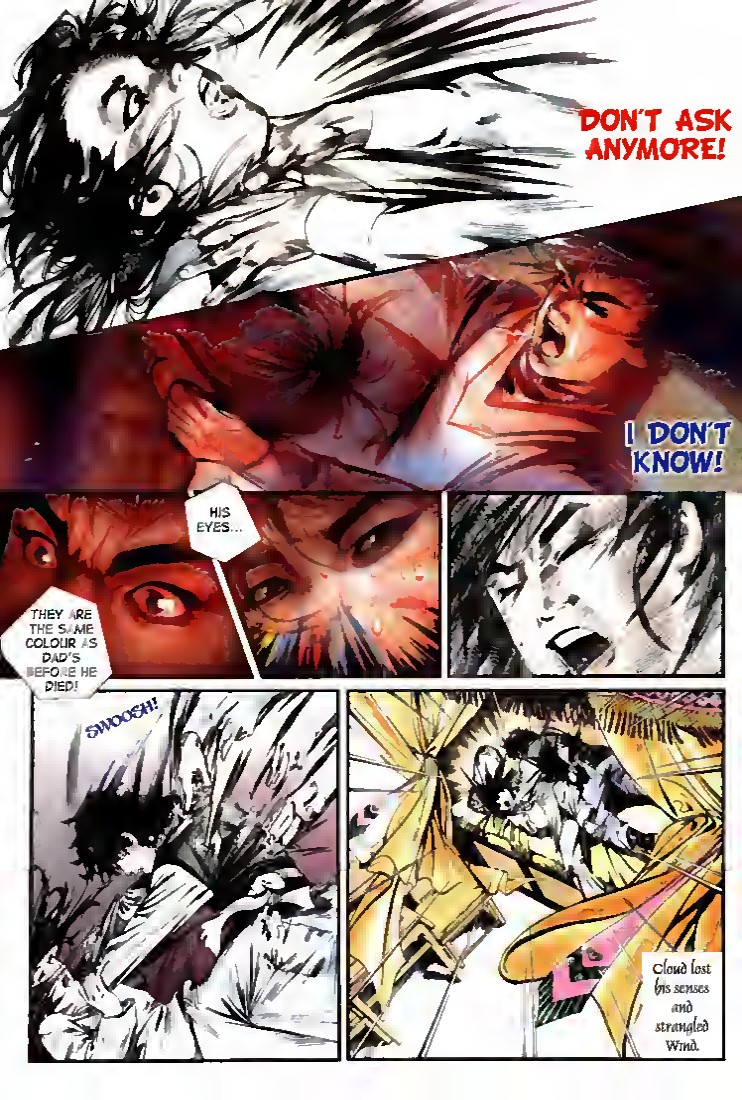

After he was named Conquer's 3rd disciple, he was immediately shown different treatment.
Inside a small room, Wind was pondering why Conquer took him in for no reason.


Inside the room came a cute young maid named
KONG CI.
SFX: BANG
I DON'T NEED HELP, PLEASE LEAVE.
HI 3RD YOUNG MASTER, SENIOR FROST TOLD ME TO ATTEND TO YOU.
AHH, IT'S YOU! YOU'RE NOT DEAD?
THIS IS OUR SECT'S SPECIAL MEDICATION. IT WILL HEAL YOUR LEGS
WIND, SENSEI ASKED ME TO ATTEND TO YOU.
OH, 2ND YOUNG MASTER

Cloud remained silent and applied the medication.
I'M GLAD YOU'RE ALRIGHT, BUT WHERE'S DAD? AND UNCLE DUAN?
I WANT TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED THAT DAY, PLEASE TELL ME!
SHUT UP!
3RD YOUNG MASTER PLEASE BEAR WITH THE PAIN IT WILL BE OVER SOON
AHHH!

GET LOST. I MUST KNOW WHAT HAPPENED!
DEAD? ALL OF THEM?
DEAD... ALL OF THEM ARE DEAD..
TELL ME WHAT HAPPENED TO MY DAD?
HOW DID MY DAD DIE??
WHAT IS THE MYSTERY BEHIND THE CAVE?
I MUST INFORM SENIOR FROST QUICKLY.

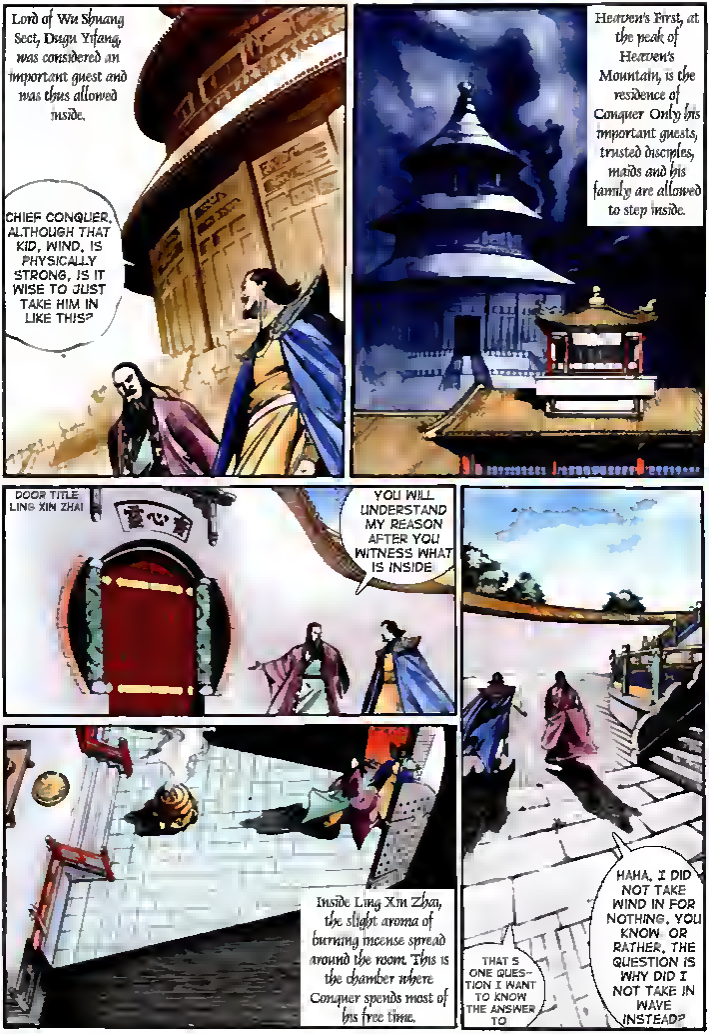
FIRE!... IT'S FIRE...
AHHH
FIRE
YOU DO KNOW, TELL ME!
DON'T ASK ANYMORE! I DON'T KNOW!


DON'T ASK ANYMORE!
I DON'T KNOW!
HIS EYES...
THEY ARE THE SAME COLOUR AS DAD'S BEFORE HE DIED!
SWOOOSH!
Cloud lost his senses and strangled Wind.

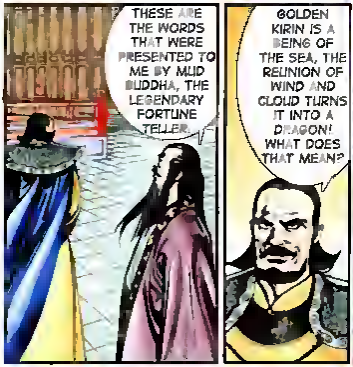
CLOUD RELEASED HIS GRIP ON WIND AFTER HIS ACUPOINTS WERE BLOCKED.
CLOUD HAS BEEN ACTING WEIRDLY EVER SINCE HE RETURNED, STOP FORCING HIM TO ANSWER YOU! QUESTIONS.
3RD YOUNG MASTER ...
AS FOR THE DEATH OF YOUR DAD, WE CAN ONLY FEEL SORRY FOR YOU...
ACTUALLY, SENSEI ONLY WANTED TO BORROW THE WEAPONS, BUT HE FELT SORRY FOR YOU AND DECIDED TO IMPART HIS FORMIDABLE SKILLS TO YOU
WE WILL BE ONE FAMILY FROM NOW ON, FORGET THE PAST AND LIVE ON.

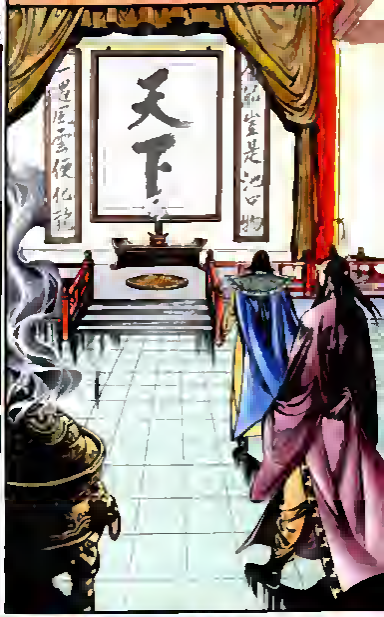
HEAVENLY SECT
A young sect that has only been around for 10+ years, but Chief Conquer's ambitious personality turned the sect into one of the most well know sects in the martial arts world. Its main branch is located on the peak of Heaven's Mountain, fittingly named due to its majestic scenery.
WINDY CLOUD HALL.
THREE DIVISION GROUND.

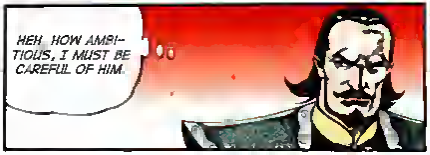
HEAVEN'S FIRST.
RELAXING HALL.
MIDDLE PAGODA.
LAKE'S CORE.
FROST GAZING PEAK.
CONQUER'S HALL.


Lord of Wu Shuang Sect, Dugu Yifang, was considered an important guest and was thus allowed inside.
CHIEF CONQUER, ALTHOUGH THAT KID, WIND, IS PHYSICALLY STRONG, IS IT WISE TO JUST TAKE HIM IN LIKE THIS?
Heaven's First, at the peak of Heaven's Mountain, is the residence of Conquer Only. Only his important guests, trusted disciples, maids and his family are allowed to step inside.
DOOR TITLE: LING XIN ZHAI
YOU WILL UNDERSTAND MY REASON AFTER YOU WITNESS WHAT IS INSIDE
Inside Ling Xin Zhai, the slight aroma of burning incense spread around the room. This is the chamber where Conquer spends most of his free time.
THAT'S ONE QUESTION I WANT TO KNOW THE ANSWER TO
HAHA, I DID NOT TAKE WIND IN FOR NOTHING, YOU KNOW. OR RATHER, THE QUESTION IS WHY DID I NOT TAKE IN WAVE INSTEAD?

LEFT BANNER: GOLDEN KIRIN IS A BEING OF THE SEA.
RIGHT BANNER: THE REUNION OF WIND AND CLOUD TURNS IT INTO A DRAGON!


THESE ARE THE WORDS THAT WERE PRESENTED TO ME BY MUD BUDDHA, THE LEGENDARY FORTUNE TELLER.
GOLDEN KIRIN IS A BEING OF THE SEA, THE REUNION OF WIND AND CLOUD TURNS IT INTO A DRAGON! WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?





I HAVE THE MOST TALENTED MEN AROUND. NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME
HAHA, IN SUCH A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, THE HEAVENLY SECT HAS ALREADY BECOME THE MOST POWERFUL FACTION IN THE WORLD.
I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT
I'VE EXPERIENCED MANY THINGS IN ALL MY YEARS AND I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT NOTHING WILL AMAZE ME ANYMORE
WHAT HAPPENED TODAY COMPLETELY CONTRADICTS WHAT I BELIEVED IN.
HOWEVER...
IN FRONT OF ME IS A BLOODY DECAPITATED HUMAN HEAD.
AND IT BELONGS TO DUGU YIFANG!
Six years later...

WHAT AMAZED ME WAS THE ASSASSIN'S ATTITUDE, HIS EYES NEVER SHOWED FEAR AT ALL!
I KNEW THAT HE WOULD BETRAY ME ONE DAY AND THAT I COULD ELIMINATE HIM WHENEVER I WANTED.
HOWEVER, IT WAS NOT THE HEAD THAT AMAZED ME, BECAUSE...
IF TALKING ABOUT WITS.. HE'S NOT NEAR HIS 1ST SENIOR FROST.
IF TALKING ABOUT STRENGTH, HE'S NOT NEAR HIS 2ND SENIOR CLOUD.
IF TALKING ABOUT POTENTIAL, HE'S NOT THE BEST OUT OF MY 3 DISCIPLES.
HE IS THE ONE THAT WAS SAVED BY ME IN THE STORMY SEA, THE SON OF NORTHERN SABRE FRENZY... WIND!

BUT DUGU YIFANG'S HEAD WAS REMOVED FROM HIS NECK SOLELY BY WIND! I'M SURPRISED!
EVEN THOUGH I THOUGHT I KNEW HIS LIMITS, I CANNOT BELIEVE THAT HE MANAGED TO KILL SOMEONE TEN TIMES STRONGER AND SKILLED THAN HIM
HIS POTENTIAL IS FAR FROM WHAT I FIRST THOUGHT. I SHOULD START LOOKING AT HIM DIFFERENTLY.

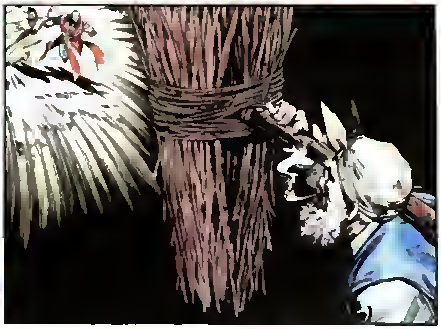
ANOTHER SIX YEARS LATER
---- THE GREEN SEA FOREST.
GRANDPA, IT'S USUALLY CROWDED HERE, BUT WHY ISN'T THERE ANYONE TODAY?
STOP TALKING. LET'S HURRY.
BUT I FELT EYES STARING AT US FROM OUR SUR-ROUNDINGS

As the peasant walked away, fire burst out suddenly and revealed A ghastly figure sitting beside the fire.

AHH!
THIS GUY IS WEIRD, LET'S GO!

KUAI YI BAND OF FIVE'S NUMBER ONE, LONG XIU.

JIANGNAN'S FIRST HERO, HUO XUAN DE.

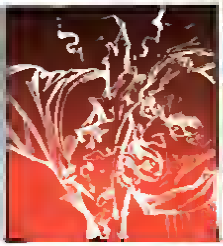


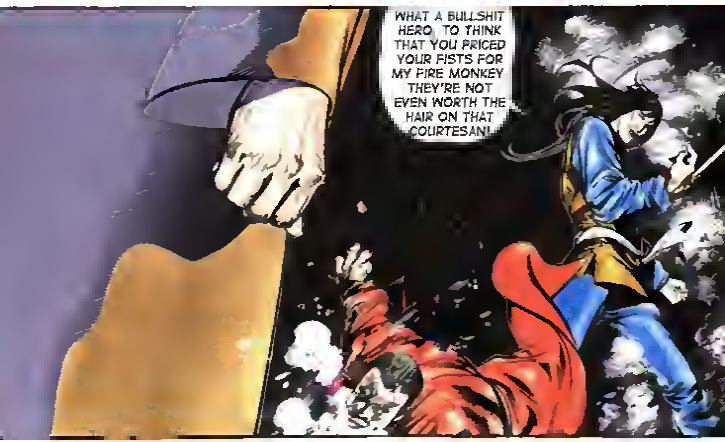
LONG XIU, I'M HERE TO DO A TRADE 120,000 GOLD FOR YOUR FIRE MONKEY
WELL, I HAD EXPECTED THAT AND I'VE BROUGHT MY MISTRESS, A WELL-KNOWN COURTESAN AT MY HOME-TOWN, FOR THE EXCHANGE.
NONSENSE, THAT'S NOT EVEN WORTH THE FUN.
THAT WILL DEPEND ON YOUR SKILLS
DRAGON SLEEVE SWORD.
A SLUT ISN'T EVEN WORTH HALF OF YOUR GOLD, NOT TO MENTION MY FIRE MONKEY!
DAMN, MY FISTS ARE THE STRONGEST IN JIANGNAN, IS IT WORTH THE FIRE MONKEY NOW?

GREAT, NOW TASTE MY FIST!
HAH, SO THIS IS ALL YOU'VE GOT
Even though Huo Xuan Te tried to punch him from all sorts of angles, Long Xiu calmly parried all of his attacks
SFX PAAH!
The tall Long Xiu stood up suddenly and looked calm.

In the bushes close by, an arrow pointed in the direction of Long Xin.

PHOENIX DANCING ARROW




WHAT A BULLSHIT HERO, TO THINK THAT YOU PRICED YOUR FISTS FOR MY FIRE MONKEY THEY'RE NOT EVEN WORTH THE HAIR ON THAT COURTESAN!

RUMOURS SAY THAT IN ORDER TO MEET MUD BUDDHA, THE FIRE MONKEY IS REQUIRED SINCE MUD BUDDHA IS A LEGENDARY FORTUNE-TELLER, THE FIRE MONKEY WILL SURELY BE TARGETED
HAHA, EVEN FROST OF HEAVENLY SECT IS INTERESTED IN MY FIRE MONKEY?
Knowing that the Heavenly Sect was involved, all the others eyeing the monkey felt disheartened
ARGH EVEN THE HEAVENLY SECT IS INVOLVED
STOP RIGHT THERE!

HUH?

I'VE HEARD THAT MUD BUDDHA IS GOOD AT DISGUISING HIMSELF. THIS PEASANT MIGHT BE HIM. GO CHECK IF IT'S HIM.
YES SIR!

SFX: HOU-H

ENOUGH, LET'S GO!

SWOOOOSH!

Even though a man stood on top of the stack of branches, the peasant did not feel any extra weight, but he stumbled in fright.
This man created a strong breeze upon arriving, even the Phoenix Dancing Arrow turned its' direction towards him.
HEH, EVEN HEAVENLY SECT'S WIND DIVISION'S COMMANDER IS HERE.
THE WIND GOT LEGS, WHY?

EVERYONE HERE, EVEN THOUGH MUD BUDDHA CAN PREDICT THE FUTURE, IF YOU ALL INSIST ON GOING AGAINST OUR HEAVENLY SECT, THEN EVEN I CAN PREDICT YOUR FUTURE, ONLY DEATH AWAITS!
As light as a feather and as swift as an eagle, Wind leaped from the branches to the golden cauldron that contained the Fire Monkey.

After that, he passed his skills down to Frost, Cloud and Wind accordingly, and gave them authority by splitting the Sect into three Divisions.
During his prime, Conquer worked hard to build up his Heavenly Sect with three of his best skills, The Frost Fist, Cloud Twisting Palm and Wind God Legs.
Although Frost was the 1st disciple, he rarely stepped out of Heaven's Mountain and he was not as reputable as Wind or Cloud
Knowing that Heavenly Sect's Wind Division Commander had arrived, everyone felt that it was hopeless to ege the monkey.
OH?
HMPH, EVEN THOUGH THE HEAVENLY SECT IS RENOWNED, YOU WILL HAVE TO ASK KUAI YI HAND'S FIVE!

Just after Long Xiu finished his lines, four highly skilled martial artists come out of their hiding places and surrounded Wind.
YOU'RE WELL KNOWN FOR SPEED AND AGILITY WITH YOUR LEGS. BUT KUU YI HAND'S FIVE WILL TAKE YOU ON IF YOU ARE ANY FASTER THAN OUR WEAPONS, THE FINE MONKEY IS YOURS!
WIND, SINCE THEY LOOK UP TO YOU, SUCCESS OR FAILURE DEPENDS ON YOU!

mD-xD Scanlations

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The Cycle of mD-xD Drugs:

Raws: natural ingredients
soulzreaper

Translation: chewing the raw into useful material
soulzreaper

Proofreading: sorting out the ingredients
donowhy, -Bel-

Editing: manufacturing and packaging the drugs
elmonolav

Quality Check: drug quality check
Lezette

Supervisor: drug abuser
Lezette/velovelo

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